

A New years gift



*A broken heart it is a sacrifice
which thou o God I know dost not despise*

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See Boardman.

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PRAYERS
AND
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WITH
Devotions
FOR
Several Occasions.

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The Preface.

I Present you with this short Treatise ; carry it in your hand as a Clock which a great Prince wore in a Ring : It striketh every hour of the day, and agreeth with Reason, as true Dials with the Sun.

If you read it with attention, you will finde it Great in its Littleness, Rich in its Poverty, and Large in its Brevity.

If your minde be fram'd for the most solid Entertainments of Devotion, this will delight thee, and carry thee on smoothly in thy Regular Course, and learn thee that sure, but happy skill of war-

The Preface.

king in thy Soul the Vertues
thou desirest.

Upon the Wings of De-
votion thou mayst soar up to
Heaven, and flie away from
the Troubles and Cares of
this Life.

May this little Manuel
be to the Reader of that con-
sequence, as to increase his
Piety and Devotion ; and
may he weigh what he
reads with that serious-
ness which befits a thing
wherein both his Happiness
and Duty is concern'd.

I shall now conclude with
the words of the Royal Prea-
cher, Eccl. 12. v. 13. Fear
God, and keep his com-
mandments, for this is the
whole duty of man.

A New-years-gift.

A Prayer for New-years-day.

I.

Blessed Lord, who, as upon this day, receivedst the holy Name of Jesus, and undertook'st for me the smart of Circumcision; grant unto me the true Circumcision of the Spirit, that my heart and all my members being mortified from all worldly and

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carnal Lusts, I may ever obey thy blessed will in all things to my lives end.

I I.

This day was given my Saviour *a Name above every Name, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, both of things in Heaven, things on the earth, and things under the earth.*

I II.

And because there is no other Name under Heaven given unto men, by which they may receive Health and Salvation, but thine only; dear Jesus, be thou henceforth unto me a Jesus, giving me always thankful Eyes, obedient Knees, and a reverential Heart

Heart unto thy sweet and saving Name, that now I may begin a new year of Virtues, and cancel by Repentance all the failings of the old.

I V.

And teach me, I beseech thee, O Lord, with readiness and humility to obey thy sacred Laws, how cross soever to my unmortified Passions; and in all my Necessities, with joy and confidence to call on that holy Name, since whatsoever I shall ask, I am promised shall be granted, through the Merits of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer.

Our Father, &c.

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Ejaculations for the morning.

1. **A** Rise, thou that sleepest (arise, my dull and drowsie Soul) and Christ will give thee Light.

2. To thee, O Lord, do I lift up my Eyes, my Hands, my Heart, from this Bed where my Body hath taken its nightly Repose, towards thy Heaven, where my Soul expects her eternal Rest.

3. My voice shalt thou hear betimes in the morning; in the morning will I direct my Prayer unto thee, and will look up

Morning Prayer.

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4. I confess, O Lord, that I am utterly unworthy to enjoy this blessed Light, which I have so much abused to thy great dishonour; much more the light of Grace, by which thou leadest me to that of Glory: and that it were more just with thee, for ever to deprive me of these happy Lights, and to expose me to the Terrors of eternal Darkness.

Morning-Prayer.

I.

O Almighty God, I acknowledge and confess that I am less than

the

6 Morning-Prayer.

the least of all thy Mercies, and am unworthy of the least Crum that falls from the Table of thy ordinary Providence. I praise and bless thy glorious Name, that thou hast preserved me from the dangers and perils of this night, and continued to me still the opportunities of serving thee.

III.

I am unworthy, O Lord, of those common Favours which thou vouchsafest to the Birds of the Air, and to the Lilies of the Field, to be cloathed, and to be fed ; how much more, O Lord, unworthy am I to appear in thy presence.

Presence, to call upon thy great and glorious Name with any confidence that thou wilt hear my Prayers and grant my requests ! And as I am unworthy , so I am altogether unable to perform any holy duty that may be pleasing and acceptable in thy sight.

III.

But I come unto thee in the Name of thy dear Son, who is most worthy, in whose Name thou hast promised to grant unto me whatsoever I shall ask : I come unto thee, O Lord, in his Name at this time, for the assistance of thy holy and blessed Spirit, who is able to supply all my

my weakness and insufficiency. There is nothing, O Lord, hath betrayed me, but my sins; therefore in the sincerity of my heart, I do desire to spread them before thee at this time, by an humble and sincere confession of them.

I V.

I acknowledge, O Lord, to thy glory and my own shame, that thou madest me upright, but I have sought out many inventions, and have lost that glorious Image of thine, wherein at first I was created; and I have contracted many vicious habits, whereby I am prone to evil, and that continually.

I have not endeavoured to cleanse my self from all filthiness of flesh and spirit, neither made a Covenant with my eyes, nor kept the door of my lips, but have been abominable in all my ways.

V.

Yet, O Lord, let me come from the Throne of thy Justice to thy Mercy-seat, and hear the voice of the blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, that speaketh better things than the blood of *Abel*. Fit and prepare me for all the Changes and Chances of this mortal life. Give me, O Lord, I beseech thee, a contented minde in

in all Estates whatsoever
that I may say with the
Royal Psalmist, *My heart
is fixed, O God, my heart
is fixed, I will sing and
give praise.* Keep me, O
Lord, this day without
sin, and from all danger;
and bless both my going
out and coming in. And
this I beg for Jesus Christ's
sake, my onely Saviour and
Redeemer. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c.

Ejaculations at going forth.

I. **M**any have passed
out of their
Houses in perfect health
and never returned home
alive. From a sudden and

vio-

violent death, good Lord deliver us.

2. Lord, guide me through all the passages of this day, and direct me, that whatsoever I take in hand, I may aim at the end (which is thy Glory) and thy Law be my delight all the day long.

Ejaculations for the evening.

1. **L**ighten my eyes, O Lord, that I sleep not in death, but that I may awake with the morning-light, to thy glory.

2. Forgive those actual sins which this day-light hath witnessed: Lord, give me a godly sorrow for them,

them, a perfect hatred against them, and a fixed constant resolution to forsake them.

3. Make me careful, O Lord, for the time to come and to be busie about my own Salvation, that I may be like the good servant in the Gospel, that when my Lord cometh, he may find me so doing.

4. As I uncloath my body of these earthly garments, O Lord, uncloath my Soul of ill habits and idle affections, and keep me this night in the arms of thine abundant mercy, for the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, my alone Saviour and Redeemer.

Evening-Prayer.

I.

O Eternal God, who dwellest in that Light which no mortal eye can approach unto, yet humblest thy self so far as to behold things here below; I thy unworthy Servant, who am sinful dust and ashes, do here in all humility prostrate my self before thee, desiring pardon and forgiveness for all my transgressions, which are sins without number, besides the original guilt contracted by the disobedience of my first Parents, and derived unto me in my

my mothers womb, where have I
in I was conceived in sin, provoke
and thence brought forth wilfulnes
in iniquity.

I I.

For which, as soon as the ch
I was born, thou might-
est have fann'd me like
chaff from off the face of O L
the earth, into the Lake fess my
that burns with Fire and sin ever
Brimstone: yet, as if all fessing
this had not been enough them
to undo me, I have, ever nemb
since I have been born, so too mu
corrupted my ways, and speakin
that continually, as if I little r
were born to do nothing, pray
else but sin: my secret sins, forgiv
my sins of incogitancy and in pra
of ignorance, my sins of nefs,
infirmity, have defiled my
soul;

soul; how much more then
have I polluted it, and
provoked thee, by sins of
wilfulness and of malice,
against the many motions
of thy Grace, and against
the checks of my own
conscience!

III.

O Lord, when I con-
fess my sins unto thee, I
sin even in the very con-
fessing of them; and act
them over again, by re-
membring of them with
too much delight, and by
speaking of them with too
little remorse: and when
I pray that thou wouldest
forgive me my sins, I sin
in praying, through dead-
ness, dulness, and drowsi-
ness

ness of spirit; through idle thoughts, and wandering imaginations; through unbelief, and misbelief: So that even my prayers turn into sin; that when I have done praying, I had need fall down upon my knees again, and intreat pardon for my prayers.

IV.

If thou, Lord God, should'st be extream to thinke what is done amiss; Lord, who were able to forbide it? and yet how shall I escape it? for whither shall I go from thy presence, or whither can I fly from thy Spirit? If I climb up into Heaven, thou art there; if I go down

idle down into Hell, thou art there also; if I take the wings of the morning, and fly into the utmost parts of the earth, even there shall thy hand find me: if I say, Pradventure the darkness shall cover me, darkness is no darkness with thee; for the night and day to thee are both alike: there is nothing can, O Lord, fall upon me but thy Wrath, nor nothing cover me but my own confusion.

V.

O Lord, pardon in me what ever is amiss, & give me strength to overcome all assaults and temptations. And I beseech thee to

to accept the humblest ~~as~~ my
knowledgment of a thankbour.
ful heart for thy provi-
dence and tender care of
me this day: for unless ~~Ejac~~
thy mercy and grace had
been my guide and de-
fence, I had committed ~~to 2~~
more grievous sins against ~~the~~
thy divine Majesty, and ~~the~~
had been swallowed up ~~for~~ con-
ever by thy just Wrath ~~God~~
and severest Judgment ~~of~~
Defend me, O Lord, from ~~me~~
all calamities I have de-
served; and protect my ~~in~~
soul, that it consent not ~~to~~
any works of darkness ~~of~~
Keep me this night in the ~~of~~
fear, that at last I may die ~~in~~
in thy favour, through the ~~in~~
mediation of Jesus Christ ~~in~~

It a my onely Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

only Ejaculations at going to bed.

And now compo-
sing my Body to
ain sleep, O Lord, keep my
an heart waking, that it may
so contemplate upon thy holy
Commandments.

Protect and defend
me, O Lord, by thy hea-
venly Grace, from all dan-
gers this night, and all the
days of my life, in the hour
of Death, and in the day
of Judgement.

Sun-

*Sunday-mornings
Meditations.*

I.

Come, let us lay aside the Cares of this world, and take into our mindes the Joys of Heaven ; let us empty our heads of all other thoughts, and prepare that upper room to entertain our God.

II.

Retiring from the many distractions of this life, and closely recollecting all the forces of our Soul, so forth to pursue in earnest that one necessary Work, the

securing to our selves the
Kingdom of Heaven. A.

III.

Miserable are they, O
Lord, who study all things
else, and never seek to
taste thy sweetnes; mi-
serable, though their skill
can number the Stars, and
trace out the ways of the
Planets: To know thee,
O Lord, is to be truly
wise, and to contemplate
thee, the highest learn-
ing. *Do inno bni vltoleng*

IV. *vid. infra*

Send forth thy light, O
thou Morning-star, and lead
us to thy holy hill : Send
forth thy Truth, O incapa-
bility Wisdom, and bring us
to thy blessed Tabernacle.

With a very good grace

*A Prayer for Sunday-
morning.*

O ~~very~~ ~~ever~~ ~~present~~ ~~God~~ ~~of~~ ~~my~~ ~~salvation~~
Eternal God, prepare my Heart to seek thee, and accept this my Morning - Sacrifice though weak and imperfect. for I have too often sinned in absenting from the House; but more ~~recently~~ and more grievously frequenting it, by coming carelessly and out of custom, by unbecoming gestures, cold Prayers, and heartless hearing. Lord let this day's Rest of my Body bring to my remembrance that eternal Rest of my Soul; and let

me come before thee with
all sacrific'd and humble
Soul, with a wounded and
contrite Spirit.

A Prayer for Sunday-noon.

0 thou God of infinite
Compassions, how delightful
to me was the Musick
of thy Gospel, and char-
ming to my wounded
Spirit! Lord, let it raise my
soul above the reach of all
earthly vanities; each word
that I heard this day was
of weight; and if I become
not more holy by those
heavenly improvements,
I shall certainly become
more sinful by my careless
neglecting of it: but let me

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still be hoping, O Lord, in thy assisting grace, in all temptations.

A Prayer for Sunday-night.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who art infinite in Power and Majesty, as thou art in Mercy and Compassion; thou madest Heaven and Earth, and all things therein contained, and that of nothing, in the space of six days; on the seventh day thou didst rest, and by thy own example didst consecrate the same as a day of Spiritual Rest and Recreation to thy people; and afterwards didst

didst renew it by the Authority, Practice, and Example of thy blessed Apostles, and especially of thy blessed Son Jesus Christ, who perfected the work of our Redemption by his glorious resurrection: Accept, I humbly beseech thee, for his sake, this my evening-sacrifice of prayer and praise: which though in great weakness, yet in the uprightness of my heart, I do offer up unto thy Majesty, in his Name in whom only thou art well pleased, my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

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Meditations for Monday

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Happy are they, O glorious Lord, who every where adore thyd Majesty, & that live on Earth, as in the fight of the King of Heaven, and every moment have God in their thoughts. *Abundantia* 51

III. The unlimited eye of the great Almighty looks down to this lower world, and beholds all the ways of the children of men; if we go out, he marks our Steps; and when we retire,

retire, our closet excludes not him.

III.

While we are alone, he mindes our contrivings, and the ends we aim at in all our studies ; when we converse with others, he observes our deportment, and the good we do them or our selves.

IV.

All the day long he considereth how we spend our time ; and our darkest Night conceals not our works from him : If we deceive our neighbour, he spies the fraud, and hears the least whisper of a slandering Tongue.

A Prayer for Munday-morn-
ning.

O Most gracious God, thou art my only happiness for ever: I see my portion hereafter depends on my choice here; but my choice, O Lord, depends on thee. Guide me with thy holy Grace, that I withdraw my affections from all vanities here below, and fix them upon Heaven and heavenly things: Teach me what is acceptable in thy sight, that I may know my end, and wisely chuse my way, and order all my actions to thy Glory; through

through Christ our Lord.

A Prayer for Munday-noon.

O holy Lord, who requirest truth in the inward parts, keep me from relapsing into sin which thy Grace hath rooted out; deliver me from all malice and enmity with my Neighbours, and from oppressing the poor, who have none to defend them: then may I expect thy protection. Thou art my strength, O Lord, whom shall I fear? thou art my salvation, of whom then shall I be afraid? Nothing can hurt me but my own vicious desires, nothing

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can endanger me but in
disobedience to my Ma-
ker ; which God avert, for
his Son Jesus Christ his
sake, my Saviour and Re-
deemer.

A Prayer for Monday-night

O Lord, who art ever
present to all that thou
hast made, still watching
to improve us in the ways
of thy holy Command-
ments ; check my inclina-
tions to folly, and encou-
rage my pursuit to true
good ; make me always
feel my self under thy sure
protection from all dan-
gers, and within free reach
of thy gracious Ear ; that
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whatever real good I faithfully ask, and use thy just endeavours to request of thee, I may attain the same, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Meditations for Tuesday.

I.

Lord, how secure and quiet they live, whom thy Grace continually preserves and protects! The day goes smoothly over their heads, and silent as the shadow of a Dial; the Spirits of their fancy run calm and even, and ebb and flow in obedience to Reason;

son ; all their delight is that to think on Heaven, and reckon o're the joys they shall one day possess.

I I.

Till some unruly passion press to come in , and by its fauning outside gain admittance : it promises at first all joy and happiness, but soon discovers its pernicious intent ; soon it grows bold to undermine their repose, and open a door to all their enemies.

I I I.

So , at a little breach of a City - wall, a whole Army pours in their numerous Body , enslaving all that submit to their violence, and destroying all that

that make head to resist it: and such, alas, is their confusion, when once they have yielded to the first assault, immediately a throng of tumultuous spirits crowd into their heads, and utterly consume the little remnant of their Peace.

A Prayer for Tuesday-morning.

Lord, I beseech thee, grant me thy holy Spirit, that I may withstand all temptations and assaults which utterly confound the Government and Peace of my Soul: Lord, let thy Grace, which is sufficient for me, fortifie

tifie me against the will of the Devil or man, for thy son Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen.

A prayer for Tuesday-noon

O Lord, whose merciful providence makes easier the laborious course of our lives, with constant conveniences and seasons of repose; vouchsafe me, I humbly beseech thee, to protect me the remaining part of this day; and grant that reflecting with hearty contrition on every step I have made awry, and with a thankful acknowledgement for those thou hast led me aright,

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I may henceforth be rendered more weary of my deviating inclinations, and more attentively obsequious to the steady guidance of thy Grace, through my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Tuesday-night.

Most mighty God, I beseech thee give thy Angels charge over me, to keep me in all my ways, that no evil happen unto me, nor any plague come nigh my dwelling. Grant me a moderate and refreshing sleep, such as may fit me for the duties of the day following.

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make me always mindful
of my latter end, that when
I die, I may die unto the Lord,
and my soul may rise in hope. Amen.

Meditations for Wednesday

I.

O The distraction of a life led by humour, and the miserable thralldome of being subject to our passions! How often do they engage us to contend with others, and imbitter our days with strife and envy! How often do they quarrel among themselves, and raise a war in our own bosomes!

I I.

III.

If they by chance agree
than one desire, they many
times vex us by their be-
ing disappointed ; if they
perhaps sometimes suc-
ceed, they seldom pro-
duce the expected con-
tent ; if they delight our
corrupted taste, and we
no greedily swallow their un-
wholesome sweetnes,

III.

Then 'tis, alas, they
most of all undo us, by
feeding the humour of our
fatal disease. Vain at the
best, and short, are the en-
joyments of this world ;
which after a little flattery,
betray us into ruine : save
us, O Lord, or else we
perish ;

perish ; awake, and witness
thy speedy Mercy toward
thy Servants ; send down the
thy powerful Grace to over-
stain our part, and thoroughly
reduce these ungodly
disorders.

*A Prayer for Wednesday. A
new day morning.*

Lord, what am I but
a friend of this profane
evil world, and an
enemy to thee ? I am a
Child of wrath, and a Son
of darkness ; let not mounta-
tains of sin oppress me, or
the world with thine
baits of vanity. So cheer
me, that I may never lie, and
an Eagle fly to the Canaan.

wishes, but be able to cry
es for help to thee, who art
the onely bright Morning-
star, that art wont to spread
forth the beams of com-
fort unto the needy in ex-
tremity. Amen.

*A Prayer for Wednesday-
noon.*

O Lord, give me wings
of Faith to flie unto thee ;
and pour upon me the
dew of thy Blessings, that
my soul may bring forth the
fruits of holiness : Teach
me, O Lord, the way that
I should go, and guide me
and direct me by thy holy
and blessed hand ; and
grant that these my Peti-
tions

tions at this time, may fort
for the better, and not ~~an~~
the worse ; and be thou me ;
Lanthorn unto my feet, aaid
a Light unto my Head, so
that I may never erre, neither
stray from thy Commandments. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for Wednesday
night.*

O most merciful and
glorious Lord God, te
me so to govern and
my life, that I may sleep
peace and rest with thee, and
hide me under the shadow
of thy Wings, that I may
rest quietly, void of
fear, spiritual darkness, and
danger, and despair : con

may fort me in all afflictions, by
sanctifying of them to
honne; that whatsoever is
laid upon me as a father-
Hely correction, I may pa-
reiniently bear as a dutiful
childe, through Christ my
Saviour. *Amen.*

Meditations for Thursday.

I.

Deliver us, O Lord,
from asking of
thee what we
cannot receive without
danger to our selves; and
from receiving what we
cannot use, without of-
fending others, and ruini-
ng our own Souls.

II. De-

Deliver us from
turning so on thy bound
that we omit to perform
our own duty: still to
Devotions let us joyn
best endeavours, and make
our Earth comply with
thy Heaven.

III.

If we desire of thee
to relieve our necessities,
we must labour faithfully. I begin to
labour with our hands,
not expect a blessing from
the Clouds, nor the
follies of an undisciplined
life; but heartily determine
that the succeeding day
may learn to grow wiser
and correct its faults by
experience of the past.

A Prayer for Thursday-
Morning.

O Lord God, who by thy Almighty power didst bring water out of a Rock; I beseech thee, smite the stony Rock of my Heart, and make the water of a true and of an unfeigned Repentance to gush forth: Give me that godly sorrow that may work Repentance never to be repented of: Help me, O Lord, to carry all my sins even with sorrow to my grave; and yet, O Lord, not with the sorrow of Anxiety or Desperation, but with the sorrow

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of Contrition, Humiliation, and of an unfeigned & Folly
pentance. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Thursday

at noon.

O heavenly Father, with
thou art gracious and merciful, thou knowest
whereof I am made, and remembrest that I am but
dust; be not wroth with me, O Lord, neither
membrace my iniquities for ever: for I am utterly cast
shamed of the sins I have not
desired, and am confounded for the pleasures
I have chosen. O make
me penitent, careful as a
watches of the night,

may never return to the
folly whereof I am now
ashamed, but that in Ho-
liness and Righteousness
I may serve and please
thee all my days, work-
ing out my own Salvation
with fear and trembling.

Amen.

A Prayer for Thursday- night.

Almighty God, who
hast nothing that thou
hast made, and wouldest
hast not the death of a sin-
ful man, but rather that he
should repent and be sa-
ved: Though the Tree be
thornen, let not the decree
drop forth to cut it down,

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but spare me, good Lord, sin,
spare me whom thou hast
redeemed with thy most
precious Blood, and
not angry with me
ever; though I have kindled
a Fire in thy anger,
yet let it not burn to utter destruction. Thou
art a God of Mercy and
Compassion, pardoning
iniquity, transgression, and
sin; oh pass by all
transgressions, and receive
me graciously; Enter
into Judgement with me,
neither say thou hast
pleasure in me; but,
Lord, preserve me from
for the time to come:
without thy Grace
protecting me, I cannot

sin, whose wages is death,
but thy Gift, O Lord, is
Eternal Life. *Amen.*

Meditations for Friday.

O Thou our gracious and indulgent Father, who freely pardonest all that freely repent, who givest repentance to all that ask, and invitest all to ask by promising to give; make us seriously search into our own Breast, and heartily lament our many failings.

I I.

Make us search diligent-
for our bosom-sins, and

C 3 Strive

strive to cast them out by
prayer and fasting. All
we can offer thy offended
Majesty to pacifie the ju-
stice of thy wrath, is one
an humble eye bath'd
tears, and a penitent heart
broke with contrition.

III.

Only a firm resolve know-
change our lives. And if we
even all this we must be poor
of thee. Preserve us, O Lord,
Lord, by thy power, O Lord
Grace, that no temptation and
surprise or overcome us. Mis-
Reclaim our wandering us, o
fancies, and guide and lay
them to attend thy ways,
vice.

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A Prayer for Friday-

morning.

O Eternal God, thou seest all my desires, and my continual groanings are not hid from thee; thou alone knowest we know weary I am of the **Awful Travels** of this life, how earnestly I long to be at rest with thee; O Lord, pardon all my sins, and put an end to all my **Miseries.** Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly, wipe away all tears from mine eyes, and bring me to that rest of thine which never shall have end. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Friday-noon.

O thou God of infinite compassion, look not upon those infinite failings of my sinful nature, behold me in the beat and perfection of thy blessed Son. Teach me, Lord, to see the rebellion of my own wicked heart by his perfect Obedience, my sinfulness, by his Righteousness; my misery, by his Mercy. Lord, open mine eyes, that I may see the soulness and the sinfulness of sin, and apprehend the greatness of Wrath against it. Amen.

A Prayer for Friday-night,

O holy Lord, who art the onely Keeper of thy people *Israel*, that neither slumberest nor sleepest ; while darkness now covers the face of the Earth, receive my body and soul into thy custody, and be pleased in thy tender Mercy to watch over me this night : Lord, grant that I sleep not in sin, or permit any opportunity of leaving thee : fit and prepare me always for my latter end, before I go hence, and be no more seen. *Amen.*

Meditations for Saturday

I.

Teach me, O Lord, the
that safe and c
sie method
censuring my self, to b
acquitted by thee ; even
night let me sit as an im
partial Judge, and c
before me all my day
let me severally examine
every thought and word
and strictly search even
thee and omission.

I I.

Imploring for the time
past, the Mercy of Heaven
and for the time to come
the same unbounded me

If I perhaps finde
some little thing well done,
when weigh'd with the
allowance indulged our
frailty, let me return all
the glory to my God, and
beg his Grace to continue
and improve it.

III.

His is the Hand that
impartowes the Seed, his is the
Blessing that gives the In-
crease ; thus let me once
a day, at least, look home,
and seriously enquire into
the state of my soul: what
are my weakness or ma-
lice may have done, let
me now undo with a hear-
thy contrition.

IV.

Let not the Sun go
down

down upon my wrath, tram
nor on any other unpay-
pent of mine, still let me stand
white at the foot of with
account, Reconcil'd to ~~the~~ ^{you} ~~you~~
God, and in charity ~~you~~ ^{you} ~~you~~
all the world; then go to ~~the~~ ^{you} ~~you~~
bed with a quiet Conscience, and ~~fall asleep~~ ^{fall asleep} ~~you~~ ^{you} ~~you~~
peace and hope.

A Prayer for Saturday

in the Morning.

O God, y^e Father of all Mercies, the
fountain and Well-spring
of all perfect happiness,
I thy most unworthy creature,
by reason of my
great and ^V innumerable
w^ob

th transgressions, yet invited
by thy essential goodness
Commandment, I do
with all reverence and
humble confidence ap-
proach to the Throne of
Grace, begging of thee, for
the passion of my dearest
Lord, to remove my sins
as far as the East is from
the West, and to remem-
ber them no more, lest thou
smite me in thy jealousy,
and consume me in thy
Wrath and Indignation,
which by my manifold sins
and transgressions I most
justly have deserved to feel,
and sink under to eternal
ages, & verain to aboly-

I confess, O Lord, ^{thy} glory, who so long ^{had} spared me, and to my own ^{shame}, who so long ^{had} but ^{refused} resisted and despised ^{so} glorious a mercy, that ^{God} am the vilest of sinners, and the worst of men; ^{In} lover of the world, ^{and} In-
glester of Religion, ^{and} a ^{negli-}
an undervaluer of its in- ^{er-^{er}}
terests; being passionate ^{for} for trifles, and indifferent ^{for} for eternal Treasures. ^{of}
am proud, and envious ^{and} ^{honor}
lustful and intemperate ^{and} ^{short}
prodigal of my time, and ^{and} ^{ill}
covetous of money; gree- ^{ful}
ful of sin, but loathing ^{per-}
great, the Bread that ^{and} ^{and}
came down from Heaven. ^{and} ^{and}
Wil-

Willing I am to suffer any thing to please my senses, and to satisfie ambition, power to purchase the world ; but am neither willing to do or suffer any contradiction for the Law of God.

III.

In prosperity I am impudent and proud, in adversity pusillanimous and cowardly, ready to promise any thing in the day of calamity ; but when thou bringst me to complete sport, I forget my duty, and do just nothing. In repose my Conversation I am never, soon disturbed, quickly angry, not quickly appeased, petulant and peevish.

peevish, and disorderly, by a whole body of men, and evil is my portion, I am an heir of wrath, infirmity, and folly, shame and death is my inheritance.

IV.

But, O Lord, leave not to the sinful Counsels of my own Heart : Scourges over my thoughts, and the Discipline of wisdom over my Heart, my ignorance increase, and my sins abound to my destruction. Lord, let my repentance be speedy and perfect, bringing forth the fruits of a holy conversation : give unto me Faith that shall never

ease, a Confidence in thee
that shall never be dis-
composed, a Patience that
shall never faint, and a
noble Christian - Courage
to confess thy holy Name.
That in all Changes and
Accidents I may be thy
servant, and thou mayest
take delight to pardon me,
sanctifie me, and save me,
that I may rejoice in the
mercies of God in the day
of recompence, at the glo-
rious appearing of our
Lord Jesus, in whose name
conclude these my im-
perfect Prayers. Amen.

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*A Prayer for Saturday
noon.*

I.

O Almighty God, may I strain my ghostly eneminess and give me all sorts of it spiritual assistance; let my Faith be the parent of a good life, and a strongesson shield to repel the fiery darts of the Devil; O Author of a holy hope, of modest desires, of confidence in thee, my God, and of a never-failing charity to all the world.

II.

Lord, give me grace to my spend the remainder of my days to thy glory, that

may not onely labour to
have my sins pardoned ,
but also strive to have so
much favour with thee ,
that before my death I
may have my sins forgive-
ness assured : And grant ,
it be thy blessed will ,
that I may betake my self
to do that one thing ne-
cessary , that I may not
have my Oyl to buy when
I should have it to burn .
Teach me , O Lord , that
wicks is a time not to
go to , but to suster ; grant
that I may see the books
cross'd in my health , that
at my death I may resigne
my Soul into the hands of
my faithful Creator and
the Redeemer . Amen .

A

**A Prayer for Saturday
night.****I.**

O most powerful Lord and God, deliver me now from the stormy sea of my sins, and the dead water of a sloathful life:

day is now approaching which is thy holy day, prepare me for the sanctifying of the same, that may not spend it in own lusts and pleasures, but my chief aim and delight may be to consecrate it to thy glory.

II.

And, Lord, grant that I may cease from all the

work

works of sin, as well as
from the works of my
own employment; that I
may, through thy tender
mercy, feel in my Heart
the beginning of thy eter-
nal Sabbath, which is
unto unspeakable, and full
of Glory. Prepare me a-
gainst my last hour, that if
thou shouldest this night
make my Sun to set, and
turn my sleep into death,
I may live and die unto
thee, who dost live everla-
tingly, world without
end.

Our Father, &c.

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the son of god on earth
I the
works

*A Serious Preparation to
Holy Sacrament.*

2 Chron. 30. 18, 19.

Good Lord, pardon every one that un-
prepareth his Heart to seek God, the Bu-
ll. Lord God of his Father, fini-
though he be not clean in-
sod according to the p-
rification of the Sanct-
ary.

*A Preparation to Ex-
amination.*

I.

O Lord, I do not pre-
sume to come

that great Feast of thy
Body and Bloud, upon the
softeft opinion of my own
worthines; for when I
look upon my self, I dare
not come, for fear I should
abide and drink my own
damnation.

I I.

But when I consider thy
infinite Mercies unto man-
kind, and thy own words,
pulling all men without
exception, and knowing
that thy crucified Body
not onely Food to nou-
th, but Physick to cure;
beg leave, that am but
dust and ashes, to come
to thy holy Table, and
with my weak Faith to
lean upon some crums of
the bread of life. III

I confess, O Lord
have no Wedding
ments upon me, but
come to seek them at
Cross, from thy bitter
rows to derive into
soul a godly sorrow,
king Repentance to Sa-
tion.

IV.

From thy broken
a broken Heart, from
warm Bloud flowing
thy wounded Side,
Zeal, and Fervency;
I may love and ad-
thee, my God, as I
to do.

V.

I come, O dear Je-
to fetch Humility, Pati-

Temperance, Sobriety, and
Chastity ; and whatever
thou seest else needful for
me : bury all my sins in thy
grave ; my stony heart, my
natural corruptions ; and
vile affections.

I VII.

I come, O Lord, to
fetch a new life from thy
holy and blessed Resur-
rection ; to which end,
I beseech, O Lord, I beseech
thee, this my examinati-
on, which by thy divine
assistance I am now to
make before thee. **VII.**

Thou knowest, O Lord,
what a partial examiner
flesh and bloud will be
unto it self, unless thou
D guide

guide and direct me
thy Holy Spirit : strengthen my weak Mem-
ber that it may faithfully bring
forth all the evil actions
I have done, and the good
ones I have omitted.

VIII.

Make my Conscience
freely to accuse, to judge, and
condemn my sins, that I be not judged
thee, and whatsoever
feet I commit in my ex-
mination, Lord, pardon
that heap of sin which
bring unto thy Cross
be forgiven, I beseech thee.
Amen.

D

re xamination before the holy
Sacrament.

Xamination is Sta
Paul's Rule, 1 Cor
11, 28. i. But let a
man examine himself, and
if he let him eat of that
bread, and drink of that
cup! . III

Heads of Examination.

O My Soul, know in the
presence of the Almighty, use i thy utmost
diligence to make thy cal-
ing and election sure.
How hast thou manag'd
thy whole life, which God
gave

70 Examination before
gave thee to employ in
Service ?

II.

If thou hast leisure,
thou not idle, and spend
thy precious life in unprofitable follies ? or if
art thou not so too gross
and leavest no time to pro-
vide for thy soul ?

III.

Does thy Riches make thee wise, and generously ?
assist the Poor ? or thy verty make thee hum-
and faithfully labour in thy proper Calling ?

IV.

Doth not the greatness
of another molest
peace, and his prosperity
condition make thee

in thine ? Art thou not given
to say in thine heart, Had
that fair Estate, or were
e, intrusted with so high a
place, I should know how
to contrive things better,
but had never commit such
miserable mistakes ?

Y.

Hast thou fallen among
vicious company , which,
too often, engages into
rougelly ? and did the dan-
yours increase thy care, and
the sin of others breed ver-
sue in thee ?

V I.

Hast thou spied any good
example which thy gra-
uous God presents to ex-
eate thee ? and didst thou
immediately entertain the

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mo-

72 Examination before

unction, and resolve in thy
Heart effectually to follow
it? *W. to settle this dog-*
s. right of the soul

VII.

What hast thou gained
by all thou hast seen
Heard? since nothing is
barren but may yield lively
fruit, had we the art and
cultivate it right, and so its
apply it to our own
vantage.

VIII.

Hast thou given a Bill and
Divorce to all thy old
loved sins, and brought
thy self into a fit way and
be married to thy Saviour
and Redeemer? *W. slighte-*

IX.

Hast thou cast away
worldly thoughts, delights
and

and vain imaginations,
that there remains no
obstacles to hinder thee, my
soul, in thy mounting to-
wards Heaven?

X.

Do'st thou in every state
saye thanks to Heaven,
and contentedly subscribe
to its severest Decrees, re-
joycingly say to God Al-
mighty, O my Saviour,
I am glad my lot is in thy
hands?

XI.

Thou art all Wisdom,
and seest my wants; thou
art all Goodness, and de-
lightest to relieve me:
under thy Providence I
know I am safe, and what-
ever befalls me, thou gui-

D 4 dest

dest to my advantage.

X I I.

If thou wilt have
obscure and low, thy
blessed will, not mine, be done;
or if thou wilt load me
with afflictions, imbi-
ing my days with grief
and sickness.

X I I I.

Still may thy blessed will be done;
O Lord, be done, to govern
thy Creatures in thy own
best way; and say with
Job, The Lord gave, and
the Lord hath taken away;
blessed be the Name of
the Lord.

X I V.

O that my loss of time
might now prevail with
thee to repair the loss of the

thy presence in my sinful soul! Lord, let the greatness of my folly in sinning, extol the richness of thy mercy in forgiving.

XV.

Restore me to the joy of thy Salvation, and establish me with thy free Spirit; so shall I have the comfort, and thou, O my God, the praise for evermore.

Prayer after Examination, for the assistance of God's Holy Spirit.

I.

1. **B**lessed holy Spirit, the eternal love of the Father and Son, the Com-

D 5 for-

forter and Teacher
Truth, whom the Father
by the Son promised
give them that ask; ha
mercy upon me, help me
infirmities, keep my Son
and all its faculties, lift
up unto the Throne
thy grace, that they ma
not sink down into the
vanities and follies of the
life.

II.

Let the words of my
mouth, and the medita
tions of my heart, be alwa
acceptable to thy sight,
Lord my strength and
redeemer; in whose m
holy Name and words
sum up this my im
fect Prayer, in that m

perfect Form of Prayer
which he himself hath fur-
ther taught me in his holy
Gospel.

Our Father, &c.

A Confession of Sins.

I.

Lord, forgive me all my
sins in the blood of
my Redeemer, more par-
ticularly those sins against
that inward and spiritual
worship that is due unto
thee; for the wilful blind-
ness of my understanding,
in the not searching after
thee, in thy word which
testifieth of thee, nor in
thy work which magni-
fies thee.

II. I

II.

I beg Mercy for the lusts,
want of saving Faith, and no fear
the weakness of that faint eyes, nor
when it is at the best, and have
for the fool in my head no com-
that hath presumed to doubt in
doubt of thy Being or life.
thy Providence.

III.

I beg Mercy for the rash and
stubbornness and perverseness of
my will, that hath corrupted
neither done what every
thou do'st command, nor
submitted with patient hardnes
and humility unto thy will, nor
therly corrections.

IV.

I beg Mercy for the sin and fo-
of my affections, that have sin, v-
bin turn'd into filthy flesh been in

my lusts, that fight against the Spirit ; that I have had no fear of God before my eyes, no sorrow, but that I have not sinned enough, no comfort and delight, but in the vanities of this life.

V.

I beg Mercy for that rash and Immoderate anger that flashes out of my corrupt nature, and for every passion and perturbation of my soul; for the hardness of my heart, that hath not opened the door when the King of Glory hath vouchsafed to knock; and for the dead sleep of sin, which I have long been in, without answering

ing the calls of thy blessed
Spirit, and the divine in-
tions of thy Grace.

V J.

I beg Mercy for
negligent and unprofitable
use of thy blessed and holy
Ordinances, of thy word
preached, and receiving
thy holy Sacrament, and
for not keeping the Sab-
bath as thou hast com-
manded.

V II.

I beg Mercy for the
pride of my heart, and the
vain exalting my self; for
not giving honour nor
Christian behaviour to-
wards all persons; for the
envy, hatred, malice, and
uncharitableness, and in-
jury.

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harm done unto my neighbours: for the filthiness and uncleanness of my self, in thoughts, words, gestures, and actions.

VIII.

I beg Mercy for the in-
justice and oppression I
have used; for murmuring
against that condition of
Sabbath wherein thou hast pla-
nished me; for my lying,
landering, and evil-spe-
aking; for every idle word,
the sinful thoughts of my
Heart, the whole body of
sin, and the dominion it
hath over me.

IX.

I beg Mercy for the sins
I have drawn others into,
and the consent I have
given

given to others, the scandal and
dal I have given thy God salva-
spel by my sinful life and degree
conversation; for all my notable
sins, of what nature, kind, affec-
or degree soever they are, I lift
I beg it in the bloud of my
Redeemer, and in the merito-
rits of his Cross. And thin-
as I beg Mercy for my sins
so I beg the grace of the
holy Spirit to establish me
in thy Salvation.

Petitions for Graces.

I Beg truth and sincerity
in that inward and
spiritual Worship which is
due unto thee, and for
more knowledge of thee
and

and thy blessed will; for
Giv^g Faith to as great a
degree as Mortality is ca-
pable of; for sanctified
affections, such as may be
lifted up on things above,
and a Will conformable
to thy blessed Will in all
things.

II.

I beg the Love of thee
with my whole heart, that
Fear of thee which is the
beginning of Wisdom, a
godly Sorrow that works
Repentance unto Salva-
tion, and those Comforts
that flow from the blessed
Spirit in the promises of
Mercy, through Christ Je-
sus; for a holy Zeal to thy
Law, and an Indignation
against all sins.

III

I beg a Heart of faith, and
that may be sensible of the infinite
Judgments against sinners, and
and of thy Mercies in and
Christ Jesus; an awakening, ded-
ing out of the dead sleep
of sin, that I may answer
every Call of thy blessed thy
Spirit, and every divine thy
motion of Grace; for a Heart
sanctified use of thy blessed con-
and Holy Ordinances, and
a Sanctity in all the actions
of my life. Woude vbo

I beg a sanctified use of
thy great and glorious
Name, never to swear by
it but when it's a mark of
divine Worship; and then
to do it in Judgement, (w)

Righteousness, and Truth ;
and to endue me with Hu-
manity, Self-denial, Sobrie-
ty, Charity, Justice, a Faith
and a lively Hope ground-
ed in thee.

I beg the Grace to do
thy Will as it is done by
thy Saints and Angels in
Heaven, with alacrity and
constancy. I beg all the
Graces of thy holy Spirit,
which thou in thy divine
Wisdom knowest in the
salvation of my soul ; and
I beg them in the bloud of
my Redeemer, and merits
of his Cross.

Merciful Father, I be-
seech thee, that these sins
(which I have with great
weak-

weakness confessed and repented of) may not rise of me
up in judgement against me, nor stand as a bar before me
twixt me and thy Mercy, for in the comfortable recollection
ving of thy precious Body and Bloud ; but mercifully grant,
that with the holme signes thereof, I may receive the
pardon of my sins, and the graces of the
holy Spirit to do thy will hereafter. *Amen.*

Meditations on the holy Sacrament.

COME unto me ; all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest : Take

my yoke upon you, and learn
of me, for I am meek and
lowly in heart, and ye shall
be find rest unto your Souls :
for my yoke is easie , and
my burden is light.

III.

'Does my Saviour invite
me, and shall I go ? Shall
a sinner dare to sit down
at his Table ? Does he in-
vite, and shall I not go ?
Shall a wretch presume to
refuse his Call ? Rise then,
my Soul , and take thy
swiftest wings, and flie to
the presence of this great
Mystery.

III.

A Feast of holy Bread
and holy Wine , in repre-
sentation of thy most Sa-
cred

cred Body, and Bloud
where thy All-glorious
Self is freely given to the weal
meanest Guest ; a Fount
of Peace and Love, an iron
incomparable Sweetness, a weal
to which thine own blis-
Mouth thus kindly call'd our
us.

I V.

Come to me; you that toil
labour for holiness, and are
opprest under the weight of
of your sins ; you that hum-
ger after Heaven, and thin-
to drink of the Fount
of bliss, come to me, and
will refresh you with the
wine of gladness and the
bread of Life.

V.

Come, you that are weak, that you may be made strong, and you that are anoynted, lest you become weak; come, you that have leisure, and here entertain all your time; come, you that are busie, and here learn to sanctifie your Im-employment; come all, and gather freely of this celesti-
eignall Manna, and fill your humours with the food of An-
thony.

V. I.

But stay, am I dress like a friend of the Bride-
chamber, that I safely may come to this Marriag
eupper? have I considered how chaste these eyes should
be,

be, which go to behold
God of purity ? ^{Sh} have I
considered how clean the
mouth should be, which
presumes to eat the bread
of Heaven ; but most, how
All - celestial that ^{Sh} G
should be, which aspires ^{Sh} at
an union with the Body ^{Sh} ke
Christ ?

VIII.

Look, my Heart, ^{Look} and
well into thy self, ^{Look} and
strictly search every corner
of thy breast : Alas, ^{how} poor
poor, and dull, and empty
are we ; how unworthy is he
unworthy so divine a ^{so} sent
 sacrament ! yet are we called ^{so} APP
by him that can command ^{so} nse
by him that sees and ^{so} em
ties our miseries ; he ^{so} P

we come, he surely will receive us ; and with his bounteous fulness supply our defects.

VIII.

Go then, my soul, to that sacred Table, and take thy part of that delicious Banquet ; go all inspired with love, and joy, and hope, and quench thy Nuptial thirst with that compiring of Blis. When thou hast tasted his everlasting sweetness and feelest his heavenly, Streams flow a gently on thee, open thy happy breast, and suck in whole waters in, and let them freely run over all thy Powers.

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IX.

Let them soak deep
the root of thy heart,
turn thy barren heath
to a fruitful land, fruit-
ful in holy thoughts,
pious words, fruitful
good, and just, and char-
itable deeds; fruitful
thy self, in thine own
provement, fruitful to
others in thy good ex-
amples. Praise the Lord,
my Soul, and all that
within me, praise his ho-
ly Name, who saveth
life from destruction,
feedeth thee with the bread
of Heaven.

Ejaculations at the Lords
Table.

I Will prakse thee, O
God, with my whole
heart, and worship to-
wards thy holy Tem-
ple.

I have waited long to
seek the Lord, my Soul
doth wait, for in his
Word do I truist:

With the Lord there
is Mercy and plenteous
Redemption, and he
will redeem me from all
iniquities.

God is gentle, just, and
merciful, and will in-
cline his ear when I call
upon him.

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5. I will now pay my visit; unto the Lord, even in the presence of all People.

6. I will go unto the Altar of my God, and offer up to him the Sacrifice of an humble heart.

7. So shall I be satisfied with the loving kindness of the Lord, and praise shall be ever from my mouth.

*Prayers before receiving
the holy Sacrament.*

I.

O Almighty God, who art infinite in Mercy, and art able to pardon more sins than I can conceive,

nit; the stretcht out arms
of my dear Saviour on the
cross, can encompass the
largest extention of my
arms, and his passion affords
an ever-flowing Red sea to
cover them, that they may
not become my confusion.

II. of the 5th

Springs of Mercy flowed
from his Sacred head,
when he was Crown'd
with Thorns: because I
advanc'd my head, and
(with a stiff neck) oppos'd
my will, he bowed his
bleeding head on the
cross: Rivers of Mercy
flowed from his hands, to
partease the oppression of
mankind.

III.

From his feet fast, and
and unmoved, issues a geyser
rent of blood, because
mine have been so few, have
to shed it; and let me
should want abundant supplies
of Mercy, the Flood-gates stand open at
fide, that so whilst Men M
and mystery, Sacrament and
and Soul-satisfaction stand
out all together, my leprosies
sie may want no purgation,
on, nor I in my languishing
want support.

IV.

O then let his blood
my bath; purge me with
Hysop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be
whiter than snow: and that

capacitate me for these
mercies, let deepeit sorrow
round my Soul. Oh let
grieve my spirit that
have lived so long to the
relief of thine ! and let me
grieve so long, that I can
grieve no more.

V.

Make my foul to ascend
an humble supplication,
and let my Saviours inter-
cession, procure thine ac-
ceptation of it ; and give
such a faith , as may
take possession of all I
pray for: and lest my own
odlurst should deceive me ,
when I have said Amen to
my prayers, do thou say
amen to my Amen ;
at so an establishment

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of blessings may be the pure
crown of my soul : whereat
I beg through the merciful
and mediation of Jesus Christ
my Saviour and Redeemer.
Amen.

I.

O eternal God, thou hast promised that at what time soever a sinner doth all repent him of his sins from the bottom of his heart, thou wilt put away all iniquities out of thy remembrance; besprinkle a polluted but penitent soul in the blood of thy dear Son Jefus Christ: O let the blood of his wounds and the water of his side wash me clean, that I may

be the pure clean soul, come to
whom at and feast on the hea-
menly Banquet, the spot-
Jesus lamb which was slain
, and from the beginning of the
Redeemer World.

II.

Extinguish, O Lord, all
the fires of Hell, my Lust,
Pride, Envy, Malice, and
all uncharitableness: create
in me, O God, a great
longing after the bread of
Heaven, and a thirst after
the Fountain of Salvation;
that as the hart panteth
after the water-brooks, so
let my Soul long now af-
ter thee, my Saviour and
Redeemer. *Amen.*

Meditations at the L
Table, seeing the Ta
spread, and the Eleme
set thereon.

THOU, O my God, ha
prepared a Table for
me ; whosoever eateth
thereof, shall never hunger,
or drinketh, shall ne
ver thirst.

Lord, grant that I ma
so eat the flesh of thy de
Son Jesus Christ, and
drink his bloud, that my
sinful body may be mad
clean by his body, and my
soul washed through his
most precious blood ; and
that I may evermore
dwell in him, and he in
me.

Wh

When thou hearest the Minister say, Draw near with Faith, and take this holy Sacrament, then lift up thy heart to God, and say,

O Lord, I am not worthy, by reason of my manifold sins, to approach before thee; but seeing it hath pleased thee in mercy to call me, behold, in humility and obedience, I come.

When we hear the Minister read the words of Christ's Institution, and see him order the Bread and the Wine, say,

G.

O Almighty God, who out of thy great love to us, didst send thine only begotten Son into the World to redeem sinners of whom I am chief, grant that I may receive him with a thankful and sincere heart.

When we see the Bread broken, and the Wine poured out.

1. I believe ; Lord, help my unbelief.
2. My Saviour was broken for my sins upon the Cross and suffered an accursed death.
3. By his Merits I wholly trust

truit I shall escape the curse of that death which is due for my sins.

4. O wretched creature that I am, that I by my sins should thus wound the Worlds Redeemer.

When the Minister is receiving in both kinds himself.

O Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof ; but seeing it is thy good pleasure to vouchsafe me this favour, cleanse me, I beseech thee, from all my sins, that I may entertain thee in a pure and sanctified

fied heart unto my live
end.

*Ejaculations before the
Bread.*

1. **L**ord, give me ever
more of that bread
that my Soul may be nou-
rished to eternal life.

2. My Saviour with all
the benefits of his bitter
Death and Passion, doth
now come to sanctifie and
comfort my sinful Soul
in full assurance whereof
I am to receive these
Signes and Seals at the
hand of his Minister.

*At the receiving the Bread,
say after the Minister,*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was given for me, preserve my body and soul unto everlasting life. I take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for me, and will feed on him in my heart, by Faith and Thanksgiving.

Let thy crucified body deliver me from this body of sin and death.

After the Bread.

O blessed Jesus, I do heartily believe that thou wast

wast crucified upon the Cross, and that for me, as well as for any other. And as I now have received this Bread broken whereby my body shall be nourished, so I believe that I also have received in a spiritual manner, thy body crucified, with all the benefits thereof, the full pardon of all my sins and transgressions, and the strengthening and refreshing of my sinful Soul. *Amen.*

Ejaculations before the Communion

i. **O** Lord, thou tookest into thy hand the cup of trembling

thou drankeſt out the very
dregs thereof, and thy pre-
cious Blood was poured
out like water for my ſake.

2. Sweet Jesus, ſustain
me by this Bread, refresh
me with this Wine, reco-
ver me with this Potion,
cleanſe me by this Effuſion,
that I may now at this pre-
ſent receive joyfully, return
thankfully, live righteous-
ly, and die happily.

3. And Lord Grant that
I may receive at this thy
holy Table with that re-
verence here, that I may
be a partaker of thy Hea-
venly Table hereafter.

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*At the receiving of the Cup
say after the Minister,*

The blood of our Lord
Jesus Christ, which was
shed for me, preserve my
body and Soul unto ever-
lasting life: I drink this in
remembrance that Christ's
blood was shed for me, and
am thankful. O let it
purge my Conscience from
dead works, to serve the
Living God.

Ejaculations after the Cup.

1. **I** Have sworn, and am
stedfastly purposed to
keep thy righteous judg-
ments.

2. To

2. To thee therefore, O thou blessed Fountain of eternal sweetnes, do I address my joyful Soul, to love and honour thee to my lives end.

3. Lord Jesus accept of me, and so powerfully and graciously assist me, that I may favingly behold thee in thy holy Ordinances.

4. That I may clearly see, and joyfully confess what great things thou hast done for my poor Soul.

5. O let this my humiliation before thee, be a pleasing sacrifice unto thee, for his alone sake, whose precious life thy rich mercy

110 *A Thanksgiving after
thy hath sacrificed to the
justice for me.*

6. Lord hear me, and have mercy on me, for I alone sake whom thou hast freely given unto me, that I may truly and faithfully love thee, devoutly serve thee, earnestly embrace thee, and eternally enjoy thee.

*A Thanksgiving after the
receiving of the Sacra-
ment.*

I.

O Thou fountain of whi-
goodness, I do truly believe, that thy blood
was shed out of thy body,
as verily as I have received thy Wine apart from the

the Bread, and that for
the remission of my Sins,
as well as any others.

III.

And I do also believe,
that with this Bread and
Wine, I have received thy
precious Body and Blood,
whereby my Soul is puri-
fied, and my Sins fully
washed away, and that ac-
cording to thy promise, I
shall never hunger nor
thirst any more, because
with this Bread and Wine
I have received thy Flesh,
which is Meat indeed, and
thy Blood, which is Drink
indeed; with which I
humblly pray thee to che-
reish and nourish my poor
soul, and to encrease in
me

112 *A thanksgiving after
me a hearty love and af-
fection to these my fellow-
members, who have at this
time participated with me*

III.

*And O thou who art Alpha and Omega, in whom
there is no shadow of
change ; work in us all
beseech thee such a sta-
bility of mind, that we may
no more start aside like
broken bows, but that ha-
ving our hearts whole with
thee, we may continue
stedfast in thy covenant
to our lives end, and that
nothing may be able to
separate us from thy love,
which I humbly beseech
thee to grant, for thy Mer-
cy sake. Amen.*

IV.

IV.

I Bless and Praise thy holy Name, O Lord, for that thou in mercy vouchsafest to accept me at this thy Table, amongst the rest of thy elect and chosen people, and that thou hast so graciously fed my languishing Soul with the most precious Body and Blood of Christ.

V.

I confess, O Lord, I am not worthy of the least of all thy favours; but seeing it is thy will and good pleasure to have mercy upon me, give me grace, I most humbly beseech thee, to walk worthy of this thy Mercy in ho-

114 *A Thanksgiving after*
holiness and newness of
life: to the Glory of the
holy Name, and the salva-
tion of my poor sin-
ful Soul.

V I.

And, O Lord, I beseech
thee, hold the same tem-
per over me, that so living
here a while in thy fear,
departing hence in thy
faith, I may be received
into thy favour; and thank
thee, Lord, for thy Name sake,
for thy Glories sake, and
for thy Mercy sake,
Christ Jesus, my only
Mediator and Advocate,
dyed upon the Cross
to expiate my sins, and rose again
unto my justification. Amen.

Then joyn with the Congregation in Prayer and Thanksgiving, praising God for his goodness, and so depart lovingly together with cheerful hearts, concluding with this blessing, saying it after the Minister.

The peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us and remain with us always. Amen.

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Go-

Going home.

*As thou art going home,
seest any object of charm,
then call to mind some
of these Sentences.*

To do good, and to
distribute, forget not to
for with such Sacrifice
God is well pleased, *He*
13. 16.

Who so hath
World's good, and seeth
his brother have need,
shutteth up his compassion
from him, how dwelleth
the love of God in him
John 3. 17.

Give Alms of thy Goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man, and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. *Job 7.*

Blessed is the man that provideth for the sick and needy, the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble, *Psal. 41. 1.*

He that hath pity upon the Poor lendeth unto the Lord, and that which he hath given will he pay again, *Pro. 28. 19.*

***Meditations to be used
any time.*****I.**

O How secure and sweetly do they sleep, who go to bed with a quiet conscience, after a day of faithful industry, in a course of just and pious living,

II.

Lay down their weary heads in peace, and safely rest in the bosome of providence ! if they awake their conscience comforts them in the dark, and bids them not fear the shadow of death,

III.

No, nor even death it self; but confidently look up and long for the dawn of that eternal day: this to our souls should be our care, to note, censure, and correct our selves:

IV.

To strive for mastery over the passions that molest us, and dismiss from our thoughts what no way concerns us.

V.

Are not our own occasions business enough to fill as much time as this life deserves? Does not

the other at least deserve
every minute of leisure
we can spare from this

VI.

Let then the world be lost
pursue their wicked liberties in
ties, and say, and do now
they think fit; what's that
to thee, my soul, who shall
not answer for others, un-
less thou some way make
their faults thy own.

VII.

Thy pity may grieve them
and thy charity endeavour them
but if they will not hear and
follow thou thy God, follow
low the way that leads to
truth; follow the truth
that leads to life.

VIII.

VIII.

Follow the steps of thy beloved Jesus, who alone is the way, the truth, and the life: follow his Holy example in what he did; follow his Patience in what he suffered.

IX.

Follow him that calls thee with a thousand promises; follow him that crowns thee with infinite rewards; follow thy faithful Lord, O my soul, to the end, and thou'rt sure in the end to possess him for ever.

Meditations upon Death.

I.

SHALL we be murmuring still, Our life is but a span, and that exposed to innumerable sorrows. Does not the very shortness abate its miseries? Do not those many miseries commend its shortness?

II.

Should not we rather joyce at the sight of death, that, whenere it comes, brings us advantage? if our age, 'tis a Haven and Repose, and ought to welcome after so long Voyage. +

III.

If in our youth, it prevents a thousand Calamities, a thousand dangers of drowning our Souls ; if by ordinary sickness, 'tis the course of Nature ; if by an outward Violence, 'tis always the will of Heaven.

IV.

What need we fear how many deaths there are? we are sure there can be but one for us : Dying is an act to be done but once ; and once well done, we are happy for ever.

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V.

V.

Lord, we confess th
decrees are just, and o
selves the cause of all o
miseries ; we sacrifice o
youth to sport and folly
and our manly years to
lust and pride.

VI.

We spend our old age
in Craft and Avarice, and
begin not to live till we
are ready to die ; then we
bewail the shortness of
our time, when our selves
have prodigally thrown it
all away.

VII

VII.

We lead a loose and negligent life, and then complain death takes us unawares: Our dayes are perhaps too few to grow rich, or satisfie the ambition of a haughty Spirit.

VIII.

But to be taught the love of God, the meek and humble life of Jesus, requires not so much the number of years, as the faithful endeavours of a pious mind.

IX.

IX.

Could we bestow, on the improvement of our souls, the time we so vainly trifle away, our day would be short enough not to seem tedious, and long enough to finish our appointed task.

X.

And what, O Lord, is our business here but to trim our Lamps and wait thy coming? but to sow the immortal seed of hope and expect hereafter to reap the increase?

XI.

No matter how late the
fruit be gathered, if still it
go on in growing better;
no matter how soon it fall
from the tree, if not blown
down before it be ripe.

XII.

O thou most just, but
secret providence, who go-
vernest all things by the
counsel of thy will, whose
powerful hand can wound
and heal, lead down to the
grave, and bring back a-
gain.

XIII

XIII.

Strike as thou please,
our health, our lives,
cannot be safer than at
disposal ; onely these
requests we humbly make
which, O may thy clem-
ency vouchsafe to hear.

XIV.

Cut us not off in the
midst of our folly, nor suffer us to expire with our
sins unpardoned; but make
us, Lord, first ready for thyself, then take us to thyself, in thine own fit time.

*A Prayer at the hour of
Death.*

IN the midst of life, we are in death; of whom may we seek for Succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our Sins art justly displeased: yet O Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, remember the work of thy hands, and the purchase of thy Blood; give not up this thy departing Creature unto the bitter pain of Eternal death: Lord remember now thy great Mercy, and thy bloody sufferings death and passion, let thy bowels melt in tender

der Compassion towards the Person in this great Extremity: Shut up Hell, and open Heaven, that he may behold those things which belong unto his Peace, O Lord. Destroy not, O Lord forgive not, O Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge Eternal, suffer not this Person at his last hour to feel any pains of death to differ from thee. But we beseech thee to conduct him through the Valley of the shadow of Death, unto the land of everlasting life through Jesus Christ our Lord, our Father, &c.

A Hymn.

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A Hymn.

I.

Is not for us and our
proud hearts,
O mighty Lord, to chuse our
parts,
But act well what thou
giv'st;
Tis not in our weak power
to make
One step o'th' way we under-
take,
Unless thou us reliev'st.

II.

What thou hast given, thou
canst take,
And when thou wilt, new
gifts canst make;

All

All flows from thee alone :

When thou didst give it, was thine ;

When thou retook'st it, 'twas not mine ;

Thy will in all be done.

III.

It might perhaps too pleasant prove,

Too much attractive of my love ;

So make me less lost thee.

Some things there are, thy Scriptures say,

And Reason proves, that Heaven and they

Do seldom well agree.

IV.

IV.

it, mind, let me then sit calmly
down,
And rest contented with my
own;
That is, what thou al-
low'st.

Keep thou my mind serene
and free,
Often to think on Heaven
and thee,
And what thou there be-
stow'st.

V.

There let me have my portion,
Lord,
There all my losses be re-
stor'd;
No matter what falls
here.

Is't

Is't not enough that we
sing,
And love for ever our ble
King,
Whose goodness brought
us there?

VI.

Great God, as thou art
may we
With one another all
gree,
And in thy praise con
spire:
May Men and Angels joy
and sing
Eternal Hymns to thee the
King,
And make up all
Quire,

A Hymn.

I.

MY God, to thee our
selves we own,
And to thy bounty all we
have;
Behold, to thee our praises
bow,
And humbly thy accept-
tance crave.

II.

If we are happy in
Friend,
That very Friend 'tis then
bestow'd;
His power, his will to help
our end,
Is just so much as thou
allow'st.

III.

III.

If we enjoy a free Estate,
Our onely Title is from
thee;
Thou mad'st our lot to be
that rate,
Which else an empty
would be.

IV.

If we have health, that mil-
tun'd ground,
Which gives the musick
the rest;
It is by thee our Air
sound,
Our Food secur'd,
Physick blast.

V.

we have hope one day to
view
glories of thy blissful
face,
Each drop of that refreshing
Dew
Must fall from Heav'n
and thy free grace.

VI.

Then then to thee our Praises
bow,
And humbly thy acceptance
crave,
Since 'tis to thee our selves
we owe,
And to thy bounty all we
have.

VII.

VII.

Glory to thee, great God,
alone,

Three persons in one D-
ty;

As it has been in
gone,

May now, and still
ever be.

IV

~~Glory to thee, great God, alone,~~

~~Three persons in one D-~~

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All things are become new
The fashion of this world passeth
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THE P R E F A C E.

The First Part found so good Reception, that I present you with a Second. The Gift is Meditation, by which you may learn that Heavenly Language by heart which is here laid down by Preceptrs.

Let us not injuriously deprive our Souls of the due interest of Grace and Virtue; but account this vain World, with the Wares thereof, suitable to the Shop of Idle Merchandize unto which we have already been too long

The Preface.

Customer's; the Traffick being Toil; the Wealth, Trash; the Gain, Misery; and the whole Contents thereof, Detriments in Grace, Piety, and Virtue.

If this receives the like acception as the former, I then think my time not ill bestowed. So leaving you in the Protection of the Almighty, in whose presence is fulness of Joy, and at his right hand Pleasures forevermore.

THE
NEW-YEARS-GIFT.

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New-Years-Gift.

The Second Part.

Meditation I.

Of Repentance and Amend-
ment of Life.

I.

WE are now so
much nearer our
Grave ; and all
the World is grown older
by a Year, the Portion of
the Wicked is so much

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less ;

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less, and their time of Punishment so much approach't. The Sufferings of the Patient are so much diminish'd, and their hope of Delivery so much increas'd.

II.

They who have spent this day in Sin and Folly, see all their thoughts now vanish like a Dream. They see all's past but a fear of revenge ; and the best that can follow is a bitter Repentance, but such as have wisely bestowed their time, and made another new step towards Heaven ; they see their Joys come to meet them in the way, and still grow bigger.

Of Amendment of Life. 3

they come : Till by a Ho-
ly Death they joyn in one,
and dwell together for E-
ternal Ages.

III.

O thou Blessed Author
of all our hopes, and per-
fect Satisfier of all our
Wishes ! Do thou instruct
us in this great, wise truth ;
and let every Evening re-
new it on our Minds :
That the things of this
world are of little import,
since its Joys and Griefs
last but for a time : but
the future Estate most infi-
nitely concerns us, where
Life and Death endure for
ever.

IV.

We are nearer indeed

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the end of our Life ; but what are we nearer the end for which we Live ? What have we done, my Soul, to day, that's truly Advancive to our last great home ? Have we encreast our Esteem of Heaven ; and settled it's love more strongly in our Hearts ? Have we avoided any known Temptation, or faithfully resisted, when we could not avoid, have we interrupted our customary Faults ; and check't the Vices we are most inclin'd to ? Or have we embrac'd the Opportunities of good , which the Mercy of Providence has offer'd to our hands ? have

we industriously Contrived Occasions, to improve as we are able our selves and others?

V.

Alas, dread Lord, what do we see when seriously we look into our guilty Selves? When we reflect on our former Years; nay even the Follies but of this one day? so many Hours mispent in nothing, so many abused in worse than nothing.

VI.

Pardon, O meek Redeemer, what our Passions have done; and favourably supply what our weakness has omitted, make us hereafter more care-

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carefully Watch, that our time unprofitably slide not away, make us select every day some fit retreat, to Study the knowledge of our selves and thee; our selves, to Correct our many Infirmitie; and thee, to adore thy infinite Perfections.

The Prayer.

O Gracious Lord, whose Laws are but necessary Rules of Soul-Saving Love, and whose Commands are but Efficacious Advises of what our Nature requires to grow happy, quicken we beseech thee, the Slackness of our Obe-

Of Amendment of Life. 7

Obedience to them, by often reflecting on this thy generous goodness: And grant that the ready Observance paid by all other Creatures, to thy least will in serving us, may so reproach our Perverse Refusing the guidance of thy sweet Spirit, towards our own only good, which thou kindly callest thy Service; that we may feel our Selves Confounded with Shame at our notorious Follies, and be henceforth apter to learn by all the World about us, our Duty to thee, through our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son and our Saviour.

Amen.

Medi-

Meditation 2.

*Of the Glories of Hea-
ven.*

I.

LET them, O Lord, seek other Delights, who expect no Felicity from thee. Let them fill up their time with other Employments, who think thy rewards not worth their Labour, as for thy Servants, our chief content shall be, to meditate the Glories prepared for us above, all the few Years we live shall spend themselves to purchase that one Eternal Day.

II.

II.

That day whose brightness knows no night ; nor ever fears the least Eclipse, whose cheerful brow no Cloud o're-casts ; nor Storm molests the passage of it's Rays, but still shines on Serene and Clear; and fills with Splendour that spacious Palace, it needs not the Fading Lustre of our Sun, nor the borrow'd Silver of the Moon, the Sun that Rises there is the Lamb ; and the Light that Shines the Glory of God.

III.

O how Beauteous Truths are Sung of thee, thou City of the King of Heaven !

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ven! Thy Walls are raised
of Precious Stones; and
every Gate is of one rich
Pearl, thy Mansions are
Built of choicest Jewels;
and the Pavement of thy
Streets are Transparent
Gold, down in the midst
runs a Chrystal River, per-
petually flowing from the
Throne of God, there all
along those pleasant
Banks, deliciously grows
the Tree of Life, healing
all Wounds with it's Bal-
my Leaves; and making
Immortal all that but eat
it's Fruits.

IV.

Thus is the Holy City
Built; thus is the new Je-
rusalem adorn'd. O For-
tunate

of the Glories of Heaven. The
fortunate and Glorious Ci-
ty! How free and happy
are thy glad Inhabitants.
Every Head wears a Royal
Crown; and every Hand
a Palm of Victory. Every
Eye overflows with Joy;
and every Tongue with
Psalms of Praise. Behold,
O my Soul, the Inheritance
we seek; and where can
we find more Riches to in-
vite us. Behold the Fel-
cities to which we are cal-
led; and where can we
meet such Pleasures to en-
tertain us?

V.

Away then all Vain and
Worldly Desires; be Ba-
nnish'd ever from molesting
my Peace. Descend thou
Blessed

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Blessed Heaven into my Heart, or rather take up my Heart to thee, thy Joys are so great to enter into me; O make me fit to enter into them, make me still think on my Country above; and there Establish my Eternal home, where I shall dwell perpetually in the view of my God, and be filled for ever with the Sweetness of his Presence. For if these Imperfect Shadows so sweetly please, how will the real Substance Transport our Hearts.

The Prayer.

O God who Graciously
woo'st us to our
Eternal Inheritance, by de-
scribing it's inexpressible
Glories all manner of
ways which are apt to
work upon our low Con-
ceits, that they may fitly
insinuate themselves, and
become by Degrees abso-
lute Master of our Hearts!
Bring them we beseech
thee, still Seasonably into
our Memories, and so
strongly settle them in our
Affections, that our Souls
being wholly Ravish't with
those great Hopes, all
Temptations and Vanities
of

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of this World may fly un-
concernedly by us, and ne-
ver be able to distract
our intire, and steddy, an-
daily strengthening desire
of entring once for ever
into possession of the
Kingdom, through our
Lord *Jesus Christ*, our on-
ly Saviour and Redeemer.
Amen.

MEDITATION III.

Of God's Providence.

I.

MY God, in every
thing I see thy hand;
in every passage thy gra-
cious Providence. Thou
wisely

wisely governest us in all our ways, and preventest with thy Mercies all our wants. Thou callest us up in the early Morning, and givest us Light by the Beams of the Sun, to labour every one in their proper Employment, and fill the little Place appointed them in the World.

II.

Thou providest a rest for our weary Evening, and favourest our Sleep with a shady Darkness, to refresh our Bodies in the peace of Night, and save the waste of our decaying Spirits. Again, thou awakest our drowsie Eyes, and bidst us return to our daily

daily Task. Thus has
Wisdom mixt our Life of
and beauteously interweaved
it of Rest and Work,
whose mutual Changes
sweeten each other; and
both prepare us for our
greatest Duty of finishing
here the Work of our Sal-
vation, to rest hereafter
in thy Holy place.

III.

Lord, how thy bounty
gives us all things else
with a large and open
hand! Our Fields at once
are covered with Corn,
and our Trees bow under
the weight of their Fruits.
At once thou fillest our
Magazines with Plenty, and
sendest us whole Shows

of other Blessings. Onely
Time thou distill'st by
Drops, and never giv'st
us two Moments at once,
but tak'st away one, when
thou lendest another; to
teach us the price of so
rich a Jewel.

IV.

That we may learn to
value every Hour, and
not childishly spend them
on empty Trifles; much
less maliciously murther
whole Days, in pursuing
a course of Sin and Shame.
Lord, as thou haft thus
taught our Ignorance, so
let thy Grace enable our
Weakness, wisely to ma-
nage the Time thou giv'st
us, and still press on to
new

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new Degrees of Improvement; that with our but well-spent Years, may purchase to selves a blessed Eternity.

V.

O thou in whose intelligent Hands are both Time and our Eternity, whose Providence governs every minute of Life, and governs the total period of our Days. O make us every Evening still provide to pass in comfort that important Hour. Make us fit to balance our Accounts in Heaven, and strive to increase our Treasures of Holiness, that if we have no more to our Acquisition

and we may joyfully sing thy Praise, where to sing Psalms with us, and sing Hallelujahs to the more.

A Prayer.

O God, whose gracious Providence vouchsafes to us frequently the remembrance of our own and the World's last End, by keeping every Day in the Grave of Night! We then, we humbly beseech thee, and render faithful to our expectation of those terrible periods of Time, by our constant due regard to this, to even our

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Accouint with thee, to fit our selves for Sleep, with a devout Composure of our Souls to their Eternal Rest: And grant that our yielding so often, and easily, at the summon by our drowsie Humours, to suspend for some Hours all Operations of our whole Man, may turn our Souls to reflect themselves into a more remarkable willingness of serving thee; that when laid our Bodies in the Earth of Dust, we may enjoy a joyful Resurrection of our Souls to Eternal Life through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

of God's Word to us.

MEDITATION IV.

OF PEACE AND AFFECTION.

My Soul, sit down
in peace, and rest
under the Almighty's
Protector. Let us not
list the afflictions of those
saints which our God
has designed in his cer-
tain and certain Commissaries. Every Ac-
cident may be turned into
a blessing; and every Ver-
dict is a step to our glori-
ous End. In our Affairs
we meet with his praise and
blessing; and he will give us
succour, who is favourable

us here. If they miscarry,
Let us yield to the Will of
Heaven, and leave by the
Crosses in this World
to take up a life hereafter.
Whatever happens in
this world, constant Reg-
ard, provide for the future
life, and you will be contented
with the present. How
will you be affected
if Shall we not patiently
accept a little evil, from
him that has given us so
much good? Shall we not
ing without some one
thing we need not, more
sensibly affect us, than
the thing that we need?
Ingrateful we! The com-
munity we call enjoy
-serve the Thanksgiving
-peculiar to us, in

Of Affliction.

whole Life by Thee we breathe in, and the Sun shineth upon us; the Water, and the Earth, that faithfully serve us; the use of our Senses, and the use of our Wits; of which excellencies, at least to some degree, All these, O Lord, thou generally direct to the good; and to the bad, yet still, for the least of these, none can praise thee enough. *Boeg hinc*
What shall we say to
such high Supernatural
Blessings in the Son of God
our redeemer, and Heaven
our reward? What shall
we say? Can we yet com-
plain, because some few

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perhaps are more pro-
rous than we should
not, rather look down
the many below us, and
thankful to see our selves
more favoured than they.
Should we not reckon one
the Miseries of Mankind
and bless our God,
hath so preserved us
we some desperate Can-
breeding on our Face,
noisom Leprosie spreading
over our Skin, (which
must all confess are in-
dent to our Nature
more than these (from
our Sins).

IV.

What would we give
be as now we are? how
gladly changg for a mode-

rate Affliction? 'Tis but interpreting our wretched Condition well wth regard to ourselves enough for our Gratitude to God. But this interpreting our best Condition frowardly, and the Defects enough to make our fates miserable we adore, as we ought, the Wisdom of our God, & should easily trust him to rule his own World. Could we understand all his Character of his Decrees, we should read each Syllable a perfect prophecy. Teach, O thou best Enlightner of odd minds, teach us to expoun i Actions in a fair i^{ll}us^{tration}.
B⁴ 18. 9. 18. 25. 3d. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 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Upon blesſes us our God
V
Suffer us not to follow
our private Spirit, let us
create to our ſelves a voluntary
Mifery. Still let
us conſtricte the Afflictions
thou ſendſt us, as mean
to correct, and not to
ruoy us; to reuege from
Sin, or practice ſome
tue; and when we have
our Croſſes to bear,
thou wilt take them away.
Meantime, O gracious
Lord, make us waiſtful
time, and not impatiēnt
prescribe Lights. Make
us rejoice that
Lots are in thy hands;
O let thy Mifery chafe
vorably for us. Dispose

as thou pleaseſt our Con-
dition here; onely our
dition hereafter, let it be
with thy Bleſſed.

The Prayer.

O God, the Eternal
Source and Neces-
ſity of Being, on whose
free overflowing that of
thy whole Creation every
moment depends: Strike,
we beſeech thee, our hearts
with a continual dread
and reverence of thy ab-
ſolute Dominion, which,
wouldſt thou but never so
little ſuspend thy Bounty,
we ſhould instantly vanish
all into nothing. And grant
that, as we know thou pre-

B 5 ſerv'ſt

serv'd this World, to
grow daily riper for the
other, to whish should but
ordain'd it, we may by
Grace to husband our time
here, as in the next life
to possess thy Eternity,
through our Lord **Jesus**
Christ. *Amen.*

MEDITATION

Against Pride.

Speak no more proudly,
vain Dust; nor pro-
voke any longer the liv-
ing God. Seal up thy
Lips in humble silence,
and tremblingly remem-
ber

ther his dreadful Judgments. Remember how the Earth opened it self, and swallowed up alive so many thousands. Remember the Clouds rain'd fire and Brimstone, and buried whole Cities in their own Ashes. Remember how the general Deluge o'respread the world, and swept away almost all Mankind. Remember and ask the Cause of all this Ruine, and tell it aloud to the bold Offender.

II.

Tell him, 'twas Sin, and such as his, that drew upon them such swift Destruction. Sin threw the Angels down from Heaven, and chain'd

chain'd them upon Eternal
Darkness ; sin banish'd
them out of Paradise, and
turn'd that Delicibus Gar-
den into a Field of Weeds
O God, how terrible will
thy Mighty Arm, which
thou stretchest it forth to
be avenged on thine En-
mies ! O Sin, how fatal is
th thy desperate Malice, that
pulls on our Heads all the
Thunder of Heaven !

III.

O my Soul, how dull
and Senseless are we, to
sleep secure, as if all were
safe ! Can we repeat these
amazing Truths, and not
tremble at the Wrath of
the Divine Justice ? Can
we consider the deplora-

ble end of Sinners, and
will go on in the ways of
sin? Even while we sing
thy Praises, O Glorious
Lord! Our very Duty
should fear before thee:
What should Corrupted
Nature then do, when it
feels its self ready to offend
thee? What should a guilty
Conscience do, when it
feels itself ruin'd by offend-
ing thee?

IV.

Strike thou our Hearts,
O thou infinite Majesty,
with an awful Reverence
of thy great Name. Cor-
rect our many Levities into
a Pious Sadness; and break
our Proud Hearts into an
Humble Contrition. Still may

may our Consciences cry a
loud witness; Dare you
Commit this Evil, and sin
against your God? Dare
you Commit this Evil, and
trust in your selves, and
plunge your souls in
Everlasting Torment? Forbid
for me a Malice,
Gracious Lord, and make
thy Judgments like
Mercies to us sinners who
like thee. O Lord, happy
in thy judgments. And
who is like thee? O Lord,
thy Mercies are great.

But pride, wise officer
of hell, didst thou
not much more than
success of judgment
and victory? The

God, who by Hopes
and Fears, the plain
Prayers of thy Nature
hast graciously pro-
vided to counterpoise our
weight downwards, and
inhibit our saint Progress
unto thee in thy King-
dom. Grant we humbly
beseech thee, that the ma-
ny Examples of thy dread-
ful Judgments on Obsti-
nate and Incorrigible Sin-
ners may strongly overawe
our Pride, with other Vi-
ces and Impenitence, and
thy many more Eminent
Instances of Indulgence
and Mercy to the Penitent
and

and truly Desirous of Virtue, may encourage your Weakness, and make me effectually endeavour to gain it: And this I humbly beseech thee, for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

MEDITATION. VI.

Against Sloth. *Hi*

I.

Retire, O my Soul, into thine own Bosom, and search what thou aimest at in all: where dost thou place thy chief Felicity? And whether tends thy strongest Desires? Go to the Great and Prudent

of

of the WORK, and learn
whether we have thy Inter-
est? Do they not therein
leave their ETates, where
they mean to spend most
of their Life? Do they
there project their Manu-
fact'ry Seat, in a Country
through which they pass as
Travellers? No more, my
Soul, should we Build our
best Hopes upon the sandy
foundation of this perish-
able Earth, .

11. Iusq' qm' PI. 319. R
Whencefore we are, we
cannot stay long, and have
no son where shall stay a lit-
tle. O thou Eternal being,
thou changest not, yet art
the cause and end of all our
changes who will re-
main't

main'ſt the ſame rich Fiu-
neſſi in thy ſelf ſo and the
ſame bright Glory iſt al-
thiſ bleſſed. Teach us O Lord
to be this way worthy like
as Pilgrims returning to
their beloved home; ſo then
we may take what our
Journey requires, and not
think of ſetting in a For-
eign Country, but where we
forecast out Treafures, and
to be happy where we might
always be, without any
trouble or moleſtation.

III.

When thou haſt found
thy happy end, and found
it the only good that lasts
forever, ſtudy O good
Soule, to know full meſter
and full more, value theſe

Immortal Joys. Surely it is for
Glorious a Prize with the
whole Force, and these
more Strainings of all the
Faculties. Purchase ato
rate that Blest Inheritance
and, and wisely neglect not
all things else; all that
differeth thee from thy Holy
Master, or but retardeth
thee of thy Advance-
ment though the least in the
Kingdom of Heaven be
happy enough, where ev-
er Vessel is filled to the
brim, **Yet to enlarge our Ca-**
pacity to the least height in
degree deserves the busi-
est Diligence of our whole
life. Shall the Indolent in-
ous

But Bee endure no
but fly, and sing, a
bout all the Day, Shall
the unwearefed And be
ring up and down, to and
and carry a few Grains
Corn? And we, for whom
all Nature so far a day
works and tires us, let
a perpetual motion,
whom the tender P
dence of God commands
Angels to Wash by day
For whom the Holy P
came down from Heaven
and spent a whole Life
continual Labour;

W^O Shall we sleep on in a
allowie Sloth, and not
a Finger to help our selves
Awake, my Soul, and chide
thy

flitting Thoughts, and
their stupid怠慢的 plain-
know we have a store
provide, as well as
ts, and infinitely Rich-
than their poor Hoard.
We have a work to do as
As Bees, and far more
ter than all their Ho-
What can so nobly
rich an Immortal Soul as
to be gathering a Stock
Eternity? What can
highly delight one that
every Day improves, as
daily to see the increase of
his Hopes?

VI.

O Blessed hope! Be thou
chief Delight, and the
only Pleasure I covet to
lay up: be thou the quick-
ning

bring Life of all my Actions, and sweet alloy of all my Sufferings ; so shall I
never refuse the sweetest Labour, while I look to
receive such glorious wages. So shall I never leave
any Temporal loss, while I hope to gain
Eternal Rewards, and
while we breathe, and live
to thee, and when we
expire, depart in thy Presence.
That whether we live or
Die, we may be always
with thee, and go by
thee in Life Everlasting.

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to vell. **The Prayer.** 23C
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O God, whose Eternal
Providence has im-
barkt our souls in the Ship
of our Bodies, not to ex-
pect any part or Anchore-
ge on the Sea of this
World, but Steer directly
through it to thy Glorious
Kingdom. Grant, we be-
seech thee, that, daily
reflecting with what care
and diligence the wretched
Adventurers for all sorts
of Vanity pursue round a-
bout us their desperate
Courses, we may feel our
selves confounded with
just Reproach, who know-
ing our Engagement on so
Impor-

Important a Voyage, it
take so little paine to
form ic. Preferre
Lord, from Sloth, and from
the dangers that
sides assault us, and that
our Affections still be
disposed to receive
Holy Inspirations,
carried sweetly and
gaily forward; by thy
Spirit, we may
arrive at last in the
Eternal Salvation, through
Jesus Christ, our Lord.

MEDITATION VII.

the Vanities of the World.

I.

Tell me, you eager Lovers of the World, what 'tis you aim at in all your Pretences: you weary your Bodies with restless Labour, and afflict your minds with perpetual care, Day and Night you are still perplexed, still busily plotting to compass your own ends. Tell me what are those ends you so long have sought; and I will tell you what you soon will find: While they are many, they but distract

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of
your Thoughts, and of
engage in a Quarrel
mong themselves. One
end, and one alone is the
way to Peace ; and of
that one, must all the rest
depend.*

II.

*'Tis true, and by the
Rule we guide our Lives,
what e're we undertake,
only to be happy. 'Tis to
be happy that we strive to
be great, and enrich our
selves by defrauding
others; 'tis to be happy
we run after Pleasure,
and covet in every thing
our own proud will.
we, alas ! mistake our
pines, and foolishly
where 'tis not to be fo-*

Children think to
el catch the Sun, when they
Commit setting at so near a
distance, they travel on,
and tire themselves in
vain; for the thing they
seek is in another World.

III.

that just so we judge, and
lives not so are deceived, when
they think to meet with Hea-
Tis upon Earth. This
World, alas! has now no
such paradise; but all its fruits
are weeds and thorns, all
dangerously mixt with oc-
casions of Sin; all sprin-
cked over with the bitter-
Bark of Sorrow. What
ever we ever passionately
loved, but still in the end
found made us repent? Nay,

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the best end was hea-
to repent, and learn
our falling to tread more
sure.

I V.

Pity us, O Lord, we
live below in the Dark-
still wishing for rest, be-
finding nope; scatter the
Mists of Passion that blind
our Eyes; and shine upon us
with thy beauteous light
convince us throughly
there is a better Way
than this, a happier pe-
ple than those we know.
Let us every day begin
Journey thither, and
our selves for that Ble-
place.

V.

If thus our nature to

happiness, there's sure
some happiness to content
thine nature; sure the all-
wise Creator has provided
means to satisfie the Ap-
petites which himself has
made. Doubt not, my Soul,
Bounty of thy Lord,
turn all thy fear on
thy own unworthiness:
look up and see a rich deli-
cious Land, that flows
with sweeter Streams
Milk and Hony; look
and see a Glorious Ci-
ty, incomparably braver
than the Courts of Kings.
Behold the blessed Angels
sitting on their Thrones,
all the Heavenly Saints
triumphing with their
yminis; behold the Glory

wherewith their Lord have
Crown'd them in the
lemon day of their Espousal
sals with himself.

V. I.

Look up yet higher O,
my Soul, and see the Sacred
Humanity of thy dear Re-
deemer, that blessed Jesus
who dyed for us on the
Cross, and now invites us
to partake his Crown ; see
and rejoice in those Eter-
nal Honours which Hea-
ven and Earth pay to their
King. Look up once more,
and infinitely farther, and
humbly admire the un-
speakable mystery, see and
adore the Sovereign De-
ity, essentially full of its
own blest light, full and
over-

and his overflowing into all his
creatures, which shine as
little Beams derived from

VII.

When thou hast seen
all this, my Soul, and
dwelt a while a-
mong those Wonders,
turn down thine eye to-
wards the Earth again,
and see the petty things
that entertain our Minds:
What is a name of honor,
or a momentary pleasure,
compared to the Bliss of
an Eternal Paradise? what
is a Bag of Money, or a
fair Estate, if counterba-
lanc'd with the Treasures
of Heaven? How narrow

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there do our greatest Kingdoms seem ! How small a circle is the whole **Globe** of the Earth ! Cities and Towns shew like little hills ; and the busie World, but like a swarm of Ants, running up and down, and jostling one another ; and all this stir for a few **Grains** of Corn.

VIII.

O Heaven ! let me again lift up my Eyes to thee, and take a fuller view of that Glorious Prospect : there let me stand and fix my steddy sight, till I have look'd my self into this firm judgment, all the most Prosperous Fortune can here possess, or even the largest

largest fancy possibly imagine, all is an idle Dream to those real Joys, an absolute Nothing to that solid Felicity. The just shall be as Lillies planted in Paradise, and flourish for ever in the presence of God. If we perform with them the part of Faithful Servants, we shall surely, with them, have the portion of Children.

The Prayer.

O Almighty God, remove far from me Vanity and Lies, and what ever else is prejudicial to me; grant that I may love thy Law, and delight my self

self therein all the day long: For I have sinned against thee, and dealt very wickedly, and have added to the number of my Fore-fathers numberless Transgressions; and instead of bringing forth the fruits of Righteousness and Holiness, I have turned all thy Blessings, Graces, and Mercies into Wantonness. So that I have provoked thine anger from the first time I came into this World, to this very hour; but, O Lord, I beseech thee, preserve me from Sin for the time to come, for without thy Grace preventing me, I cannot but sin: visit me therefore, O Lord, with

with thy Salvation, that I may live undefiled in the way of thy Commandments, and see the felicity of thy chosen, and rejoice and give thanks with thine Inheritance. To this end send thy Holy Spirit into my Heart, to teach me to deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present evil World, and to have always in remembrance the great account which I am to give at the last day, before the Tribunal of the Almighty. Lord, fit me for the hour of Death, that I need not fear the day of Judgment. *Amen.*

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MEDITATION. VIII.

Of the Almighties Protection.

WHo so dwelleth under the defence of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty,
Ps. XC. v. I.

I.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us ; but unto thine own blest name give all the Glory : When we have apply'd our utmost Cares, and used all the diligence that lies in our power : What can we do not look up to thee ; and

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second our endeavours with Prayers for thy blessings? When we have implored thy gracious mercy, and offer'd thee our dearest Sacrifice to obtain it, what can we do but submit our hopes, and expect the event from thy free goodness?

II.

We know, and thou thy self hast taught us; unless thou defendest the City, the Guard watches but in vain: We know, and our experience tells us, unless thou reach forth thy hand, we are presently in danger of sinking. Every moment of our day subsists by thee;

thee, and every step we take moves by thy strength. Even the Line we now repeat, must beg its breath of thee, and stop if thou deniest it. If thou deniest, who can compel thy Will, or call in question thy Decrees? Are we not all thy Creatures, O gracious God, and as helpless Children, hanging at the brest of thy Providences? Are we not all as clay in thy hands, to frame us into Vessels of what use thou pleaseft?

III.

Behold, we confess, O Lord, in thee we live, in thee we move and have our being; all our suffi-

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ency proceeds from thee; and our Success depends on thy Favour. Others may tell us the way we should go; but thou alone canst enable us to walk. Others may instruct in the paths of Virtue; but even they must first be taught by thee: They must be moved by thee to act that Charity; and so all at last is resolved into thee.

IV.

Should we presume, O Lord, to divide thy Grace, and proudly challenge any share to our selves, thy mighty truth stands up against us, and our own infirmities plainly confute us.

us. Shouldst thou severely examine our hearts, and ask who works all their actions in them, sure we must needs bow down our heads, and from our low dust humbly say, Nothing are we, O Lord, but what thou hast made us; nothing have we, but what thou hast given us: Only our sins are entirely our own; which, O may thy Grace extinguish for ever.

V.

O may all self-presumption die in us, and our whole confidence live only in thee: May even our frailties make us more strong; and our being

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nothing, teach us to be
humble: so shall thy pow-
er, O God, be magnifi-
ed in our weakness, and
thy mercy triumph in the
relief of our miseries.
We receive all we have of
thee, and why should we
boast as if we had it of
our selves? Thou art my
Saviour, whom then shall
I fear? Thou art my Pro-
tector and Defender, of
whom then shall I be a-
raid?

VI.

Thus we depend, and
happy a we in this de-
pendence, did we but
know our own true in-
terest: We and our whole
concerns are deposited
with

60 Of the Almighty's
with God; and where
can we find a better hand
to ensure them? Is he not
wise enough to chuse safe-
ly for us, who disposes
all Nature in such admira-
ble order? Has he not
power to go through with
his purpose, who com-
mands the wills of Men
and Angels? Wants he
perhaps an inclination to
favour us, who desires
our felicity more than
our own hearts? He feeds
the fowls of the Air, and
cloaths the Lillies of the
Fields. Without his Pro-
vidence not a Sparrow
falls to the ground. And
shall we mistrust his Care
for his Children? Under
his

his Government we have liv'd all this while, and can we now suspect he'll forsake us ?

VII.

He has shewed his bounty in extraordinary Graces, and will he deny us his lesser blessings? He has freely bestowed on us his dearest Son ; how shall he not with him give us all things else? All that are truly useful to carry us on our way, and bring us at length to his Eternal rest? If our necessities be the effects of our folly, we must not presume he'll maintain us in our sins. Rather we should strive to moderate our Appetites, and

62 *Of the Almighty's
and Correct the Vices that
have bred these Miseries.
But if our wants be inno-
cent and pressing, he'll
sooner do a Miracle than
break his Word; His
Word, which he so of-
ten has solemnly enga-
ged, so often proved by a
thousand experiments.*

VIII.

Ask but the former A-
ges, and they will tell you
the wonders he wrought
in favour of his Servants.
He multiplied the Oil in
the poor Widows Cruse,
and fed his Prophet by
the service of a Raven.
He dried the Sea into a
path for his people, and
melted the Rocks to re-
fresh

fresh their thirst: He made his Angels Stewards of their provision, and nourisht them in the Wilderness with the bread of Heaven. Still, O my God, thy Eternal Charity retains the same affections for them that relieve on thee; still thy all-seeing Wisdom governs the World with the same immense unalterable goodness. Nay, surely now the streams of thy mercy run more strong, and have wrought to themselves a larger Channel, since thou brought'st down the Waters from above the Heavens, and opened in thine own Body

64. *Of the Almighty's
a Spring of Life, a Spring
of Joy and Bliss, to revive
our hearts, and over-
flow them with a torrent
of everlasting pleasure.*

O Eternal God, we
are not able of our
selves to do any thing,
without thy Almighty
help. Let thy Providence
watch over us, and guide
us in all our ways, to thy
Glory and our Spiritual
benefit; and I grant that
we may not place our
Joy

joys and hopes upon the things of this Life, which perish and cannot satisfie, but in thee, the fountain of all true felicities. Let thy mercy guide us in thy paths of Righteousness, and give us the fear of thy Name, and knit our Hearts unto thee, that neither Life nor Death, Principalities nor Powers, may ever be able to separate us from thee. And O thou who art full of Compassion and Mercy, long-suffering, and plenteous in goodness and truth, be thou always our Protector and Defender, to keep us from all evil both Ghostly and Bodily ; make us so run the ways

66 Of the Almighty's, &c.

ways of thy Commandments, that by performing that Blessed Race, we may arrive to that Heavenly Kingdom prepared for all them that love and fear thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE singular grace, which
signs and seals the elect with
the Immaculate **D**ivine **P**ower,
which is the **P**ower of the **S**pirit, which
unto **Q**ueen **A**ngel of **God** is
affilanted. O **h**oly **M**other of **G**od.

As the **U**niuersal **M**other of **M**ankind,
and **Q**ueen of **Heaven** and **Earth**,
ever **l**iving, undazzled, **full** of **light**,
and **full** of **life**, 20 **B**lessed.

As the **U**niuersal **M**other of **M**ankind,
and **Q**ueen of **Heaven** and **Earth**,
ever **l**iving, undazzled, **full** of **light**,
and **full** of **life**.

As the **U**niuersal **M**other of **M**ankind,
and **Q**ueen of **Heaven** and **Earth**,
ever **l**iving, undazzled, **full** of **light**,
and **full** of **life**.

MEDITATION IX.

Love not the World.

Love not the World, neither the things that are in the World; If any man loves the World, the love of the Father is not in him, 1 John 2. 15.

I.

Why do we still pursue this World, and so eagerly seek its fond Enjoyments? A World of vanity and false deceits, a World of misery and sad disasters, whose crosses are solid, and comforts empty, whose sorrows are permanent, and

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delights pass a quickly a-
way, a World where the
Innocent are condemn'd
with shame, and the guilty
freed with great Ap-
plause: where often the
wicked are advanc'd to
Honour, and the virtuous
are opprest by disgrace;
where Friends fall off and
kindred forget; and
every one mind's his private
Interest. *omnes vobis inimici ha-
bentis inimicos non sunt nisi in
mactis vestris.* **H.** *ad 2 Cor. 11. 2.*

Yet are we taken with
this crooked World, and
blindly count its painted
face; we make some-
ly passion Mistress of our
Heart, and neglect at-
pure and admirable love of
Jesus, whose goodness to
us

us gives us all we have; whose perfections in himself are more than we can conceive: Thou art O Glorious Jesus, the Beauty of Angels, and the Everlasting Joy of the Court of Heaven; thou art the Heav'n of Heav'n itself, and in thy Sight alone is the fulness of Bliss. All this thou art, and infinitely more, and yet alas, how few esteem

III.

The World we dearly know too often has deceived us, and our rash-
est thoughts dictates not to be un-
loved again. Thou never,
hast told Jesus, hast fail'd our

D 2 hope,

hope, and our wisdom
fears to relieve her thee;
the World distracteth and
embroils our Spirits, and
wretched we delight in
our Misery: Thou always,
O Jesu, fillest our hearts
with Peace, and senseless
we, are wearie of thy
happiness: The World
calls, and we faint in fol-
lowing it: Thou call'st,
and we are still reliev'd
by thee; yet is our Na-
ture so ingratefully per-
verse, we runn after that
which tires, and aban-
don that which refreshes.
Sometimes our Lips speak
gloriously of thee, O thou
living Fountain of Eter-
nal Bliss: Some happy
time

times we relish thy sweet-
ness, and decry aloud
the Poyson of the World ;
but we are soon inticed
by its gilded Cup, and
easily forsake the waters
of Life.

IV.

O Blessed Jesu, who
look'st upon thee all our
frailties, to bestow on us
mine own Perfections,
teach us to prize the joys
of Heaven, and part with
all things, to purchase
thee : make all the plea-
sures of this Life seem
bitter to our taste, as they
are indeed pernicious to
our health ; let not their
flatteries any more delude
us, nor superfluous cares

perplex our minds; but
may our chief delight be
to think on thee, and all
our Study to grow in thy
Love; and let us use this
World, as if we left
it not: For the Fashion
of this World passeth
way; we are apt by a
fond self-love to complain
every thing but ourselves,
while nothing can hurt
us but our misplaced Af-
fections.

V.

All this is true; and
yet the World is lov'd,
and our Nature inclines
to affect its Vanities; 'tis
lov'd, and so it justly de-
serves, did we under-
stand its real value: Our
Life

life indeed seems mean and trivial, and all things about us troublesome and dangerous; yet, O my God, is their consequence excellent in this, that they are our only way of coming to thee? This World, and this alone's the womb that breeds us, and brings us forth to see thy light: This is a lone the proper Machine, wherein thy hand has set our lives to learn the art of managing it right, and wind up ourselves to thy Glorious Heaven.

VI. O that we had that happy Skill! how soon would every thing help

forward to advance us? Whether we eat or drink, or whatever else an innocent hand can undertake, if we regard our faithful end, and order all to the Improvement of our minds, they instantly change their secular name, & deservedly are prefer'd to become religious. Riches themselves, and impious Honour, have not so perverse and fix'd malice, but a prudent use converts them to Pity, and makes them fit Instruments of highest Bliss.

VII.

Our very delights, O the goodness of our God! may so be temper'd with

wise allay, that his merciful account is them as parts of our duty, and fails not to give them their full reward, while they are entertain'd for the health of our Bodies, and the just refreshment of our wearied Spirits ; and both our Bodies and Spirits constantly apply'd to gain new degrees of the love of Heaven. Thus, Gracious Lord, every moment of our lives may still be climbing up towards thee : Thus may we still proceed in thy Service, even then when we most of all serve ourselves ; and then it is indeed we best serve our

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selves, when we are busi-
est in what we call thy
Service of His creatures.

CHAPTER VIII. Horses.

Thou sweetly wouldest
safest to stile that thy glo-
ry, which in very truth is
nothing but our Interest;
thou kindly complainest
we dishonour thy Name,
when we onely mischiefe
our own Souls. O Blessed
Jesu, King of clemency,
and great rewarder of every
little Grace b[ea]t[er]e[en]
whom by all we can doe
pretendest no gaine but
bestowest it on us all q[ui]n[se]lf
hast done. Thou wouldest
cam'st down from Heav'n
to shew us a pattern, and
mad'st us Free to work

for our own profit, in-
sist our gratitude to
consecrate all to thee,
since all by thy bounty
will redound to our selves.
Let us take our minds off
from transitory things,
and fix them on those
which are Eternal.

The Prayer.

O Blessed Lord! cruci-
fie the world unto
me, & me unto the world;
mortifie in me every lust,
and deliver me from eve-
ry temptation, and grant
that I may never thirst af-
ter any temporal advan-
tage, or prosperity of
the wicked, but give me
an

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an humble heart and a
mind well compos'd; that
I may not be overcome
with Pride, nor overwhel-
med with Cruelty; san-
ctifie my words and lips,
that I may never blas-
phem thy Holiness; but
walk before thee in all
godliness and honesty to
my lives end. *Amen.*

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MEDITATION X.

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demption through his
blood, even the forgive-
ness of Sins, *Ephes. 140.*
or 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. **J.**

Come now and hear,
you that fear our Lord,
and

and I will tell you what he has done for my Soul, Hear and I will tell you what he has done for yours, and the wonders of his bounty towards all the world. When we lay asleep in the shades of nothing, his mighty hand awak't us into being; not us that of Stones, or Plants, or Beasts, over which he has made us absolute Lords, but an accomplish't Body and immortal Spirit; and little inferiour to his Glorious Angels; he printed on our Souls his own similitude, and promised to our Obedience his own Felicity; he endued us with

with appetites to live well and happy, and furnish us with means to satisfy those Appetites, creating a whole World to serve us here, and providing Heaven to gloriſe us hereafter.

III.

Thus didst thou favour us, O infinite Goodness! but we, what return did we make to thee? Blush, O my Soul, for shame at how strange a weakness, ivando weep for grief at so extreme an Ingratitude! We chidg dishly prefer'd a trivial Apple before the Law of our God, and the safety of our own Lives; we fondly embrac'd a little

present Satisfaction before
the pleasures of Paradise
and the eternity of Hea-
ven. Behold the unhappy
Source of all our miseries,
which still increasest its
streams as they went far-
ther on, till they exacted
at last a deluge of justice,
to drown their deluge of
iniquity; and here, alas !
had been an end of man,
a sad and fatal end of the
whole World, had not
our wise Creator foreseen
the danger, and in time
prevented the extremity
of the ruin, reserving for
himself a few choice
plants, to replenish the
Earth with more hopeful
fruit; yet they grew
quick-

quickly wild, and brought forth fowne Grapes, and their Childrens teeth were set on edges; quickly then aspired to an intollerable pride of fortifying their wickedness against the power of Heaven.

III.

Justice was now provok'd to a second deluge, and to bring again a cloud o're the Earth; but mercy discover'd a Bow in the clouds, and our faithful God remembred his promise, allaying their punishment with a milder sentence, and only scattering them from the place of their conspiracy; which yet his providence turn'd

turn'd into a blessing, by making it an occasion of peopling the World. Still their rebellious nature disobeyed again, and neither fear'd his Judgments, nor valu'd his mercies ; but with a graceless emulation propagated sin, as far as his goodness propagated mankind. Then he selected a private Family, and increas'd and govern'd them with a particular tenderness, giving them a law by the hands of Angels, and engaging their obedience by a thousand favours ; but they neglected too their God and Heaven, and fell in love with the ways of death.

IV.

When thou had'st thus
O dearest Lord, try'd every remedy, and found our disease beyond all cure; when the light of nature prov'd too weak a guide, and the general Flood too mild a correction; when the miracles of Mys[ter]y could not soften their hearts, nor the law of Angels bring any to perfection; when all was reduc'd to this desperate state, and no imaginable hope left to recover us, behold, the Eternal Wisdom finds a strange expedient, the last and highest instance of Almighty love; himself he resolves to cloath

cloath with our Flesh, and come down among us, and die to redeem us.

V.

Wonder, O my Soul, at the mercies of thy Lord, both infinitely transcending even our utmost wish-

Wonder at the admirable providence of his counsells, how exactly fitted to their great designs; had he been less than God, we could never have believed the sublime mysteries of his Heavenly Doctrine: had he been other than man, we must needs have wanted the power-motive of his holy example; had he been only God, he could never have suf-

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suffer'd the least of those afflictions he so gloriously overcame ; had he been merely man, he could never have o'recome those infinite afflictions he so patiently suffer'd. O Blessed Jesu ! both these thou art in thy self ; be thou both these to us ; be thou our God, and make us adore thee ; be thou our leader, and make us follow thee.

VI.

Sooni as this blest decree was made, of sending the Son of God to redeem Mankind , immediately his goodness was ready to come

come among us, had our ungracious World been ready to receive him ; but we as yet were too gross and sensual, and utterly incapable of so pure a law ; we were immerst in cares and pleasures, and wholly indispos'd for so perfect an obedience. While we were thus unfit for thee, O thou God of pure and perfect Holiness ! thou graciously wert pleas'd to stay for us, and all that time prepare us for thy presence ; from the beginning entertaining us with hope, and through every age confirming our Faith. How early, O my God, didst thou engage to relieve

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lieve us! The Seed of the
Woman shall break the Ser-
pents Head. How often
didst thou repeat thy Pro-
mise to Abraham! In thy
Seed shall all the Nations
of the Earth be blessed.

VII.

How many times did
thy mercy invent, by un-
questionable tokens to
give notice of thy com-
ing? Behold, a Virgin
shall conceive and bear a
Son, and his name shall
be called, God with us.
Branch shall shoot out of
the Stock of Jesse, and
from the root of that
Branch shall spring a flow-
er: The Spirit of our
Lord shall rest upon him;

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the Spirit of wisdom, piety and fortitude; our Lord shall raise up a Prophet like *Moses*, and put his words in his mouth, and he shall teach us; and thou Bethlehem, who art little among the thousands of *Judah*, out of thee shall he come, that's to be the Ruler of *Israel*, whose goings forth are from the beginning, even from the days of Eternity. Hark, how the Eternal Father introduces his Son, commanding first all the Angels to adore him; thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee; thou art my Son, and I will be thy Father; I will give thee

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thee the Gentiles for thine
Inheritance, and the ends
of the World for thy
possession.

VIII.

'Tis too little, that thou
raise up the Tribes of Ja-
cob, and convert the dogs
of *Israel*; thou art ap-
pointed a Light for the
Gentiles, and a Saviour
to the utmost parts of the
Earth. Hark, how the
ancient Prophets rejoice
in the *Messias*, and in soft
and gentle words forget
his sweetness; he shall
come down as Rain into
a Fleece of Wooll, and
as drops of Dew distilling
on the Earth; he shall
feed his Flock like a Shep-
herd,

hend, and gently lead those
that are with young ; he
will gather his Lambs
with his Arms, and carry
them in his Bosom ; the
bruised Reed he shall not
break, nor quench the
smoking Flax. Justice
and Peace shall flourish in
his days, and sin and
death be destroyed for e-
ver. Then shall the eyes
of the blind be opened,
and the ears of the deaf
be made to hear ; then
shall the Tongues of the
dumb be loosn'd, and the
 lame man leap like a
Buck.

IX.

Thus did thy holy Ser-
vants prophesie of thee,

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92 Of Man's Redemption
thus did their Children
sing thy praises. Blessed
be the Lord our God, who
alone does wonderful
things ; and blessed be
the Name of his Majesty
for ever ; his Dominion
shall reach from Sea to
Sea, and from the River
to the end of the World ;
they who dwell in the
Wilderness shall kneel be-
fore him, and his En-
emies shall lick his Dust ;
the Kings of ~~Tharsis~~ shall
the Isles shall offer him
Presents ; the Kings of A-
rabia and Saba shall bring
him Gifts ; all the Kings
of the Earth shall adore
him, and all Nations do
him Service.

X. For he shall rescue the Weak from the hand of the Mighty, the weak, who had none to help him. He shall be favourable to the simple and needy, and preserve the souls of the Poor: He shall deliver them from Usury and Oppression, and their Name shall be honourable in his Sight: He shall live, and to him shall be given of the Gold of Anchis: They shall adore him perpetually, and bless him all day long. O thou Eternal King of Heaven and Earth, make good to thy Servants these happy Predictions: So rule us

us here, that we obey thy Grace: So favour us hereafter, that we enjoy thy Glory.

The Prayer

O Most Glorious and Powerful Jesus! who with thine own right hand, and with thy holy Arm, hast thou gotten to thy self on our behalf the victory over Sin, Hell and the Grave. O let Mercy and Truth continually preserve us: O how greatly are we wretches bound to fear thee, to love thee, to bless thee, to praise thee, to honour thee, and to glorify thee, seeing

seeing we are redeemed with such a Price, salved with such a Gift, cheated with so many Promises and Blessings of the same, Establish, O God, that which thou hast wrought in us; finish what thou hast begun, that we may be able to come into the fulness of thy Mercy. Make us through thy Holy spirit to understand, and through thee to discern, and with due honour, to reverence this high mystery of Godliness, how God was manifested in the Flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of Angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the

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58. *On the Frailities*

*World, and received up
into Glory, where we
doubt not, but we shall
reign with him forever
more. Amen.*

MEDITATION XI.

*On the Frailities of
this Life.*

I.

Unhappy we, the children of the Devil! why were we born to see the Sun? Why did our Mothers bring us forth to misery, and unkindly refuse joyce to hear us cry? Whither, alas! has their error led us? In how sad

condition does our birth engage us? We enter the world with weeping eyes, and go out with sighing hearts; all the few dayes we live, are full of vanity, and our choicest pleasures sprinkled with bitterness: the time that's past is vanish'd like a dream, and that which is to come, is not yet at all.

H.

The present we are in, stays but a moment, and then flies away and never returns: already we are dead to all the years we have liv'd, and shall never live them over again; but the longer we live, the shorter is our Life, and

in the end, vve become a Lump of Clay. O vain and miserable world, how sadly true is all this story? and yet alas! this is not all; but nevv' complaints remain, and more, and worse: We begin our race in contemptible vweakness, and our vwhole course is a progress of dangers.

III.

If vve escape the mischances of a Child, vve pass on to the rash adventures of Youth: If vve out-live these sudden Storms, vve fall into far more malicious calamities: Our ovvn superfluous cares deliberately consume us,

and the crosses of the world wear out our lives. Should we by strange success, o'recome all these, and still bear up our prosperous head, we are sure at last, old age will find us, and bow our strength down to the Grave; the Grave from which no privilege exempts, nor any power controls its Commands.

IV.

The Rich must leave their wealth behind them, and the great ones of the world be crumbled into dust; the beauteous face must be turn'd into rottenness, & the pamper'd Body becomes the Food of

worms: the blessed must
needs find a time to die,
though his full employment
spares none to pro-
vide for it: Even the wise
and virtuous must still
mit to Fate, and the heirs
of life it self be the Prison-
ers of Death. *¶* This
when I see, I weep, and
am afraid, for since we all
must drink of the same
cold Cup, all must go
down to the same dark
Grave, and none can tell
how soon he may be called
unto it. *¶* **V**erily, *¶*
To day we are in health
among our Friends and
affairs, and to morrow
arrested by the hand of
death: Nature may faint-
ly

ly struggle for a time, but
must yield at last, and be
buried in the Earth. At
last we must take leave of
our nearest Relations, and
bid a long Farewell to all
the World. Perhaps the
people may talk of us a
while, sometimes as we
deserve, and often as they
please: perhaps our Bo-
dies once laid out of sight,
we no more are remem-
bered than if we had ne-
ver been: only our good
works follow us to the
Grave, and faithfully
go with us beyond our
Funerals. Sir, no genuine
worrior of Christ wishes
to be laid in yd hole. The
which you desire I beseech
you

you dignify with holiness
unto me. The Prayer.

O Lord God, I was nothing worth, and am in hazard to be worse than nothing: I was conceived in original Sin, now full of actual Transgression and was in the Womb a loathsome Substance: I am in the world a lump of Corruption, and I shall be in the Grave a prey for worms: but I know, sweet Jesus, thy Grace is sufficient for me, and thy mercy can express it self in my misery. Let thy mercy feed me, thy Hands deliver me from death, and snatch me from the jaws of Hell: and O

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Blessed Jesus, through thy
precious Blood and Passion,
by thine all-sufficient Sa-
mifice, Oblation and Satis-
faction, reverse my deserved
Punishment, and convert my
passed Evils to present good,
and future Joys in thine E-
ternal and most glorious
Kingdom: O let not the
woubles of this Life per-
plex me, nor the borrows of
death affright me; but both
in life and death let my sub-
mission testifie, that thy ho-
ly Will is my Law: And
midst the very Agonies of
Death, suffer not my Faith
to fail, nor my hope of Hea-
ven to deceive me, nor my
Charity to die before me;
but let my very Enemies be
for-

104 Of a guilty Conscience,
forgiven by my Prayers, for
his sake who prayed for his
Enemies, and howbeit we
were Enemies, and died for us,
even the Lord of Eternal
Glory. Amen.

MEDITATION XII.
Of a guilty Conscience and
Torments of Hell.
THeir Conscience also
bearing witness, and
their thoughts, the intent
while accusing or reprob-
sing one another, Rom.
2. 15.

Forasmuch as I tell you that
Why do you laugh, you
happy wretches, who thin-
your

your selves in the ways of sin? ways that indeed seem smooth at first, but lead to danger, and end in ruine. Why do you boast your pleasant life, who lie asleep in the arms of death? awake, and chase the [dream] away, that deludes your sick heads with empty fancies; awake and fill your eyes with tears, and sadly look on your real miseries. Whither, alas! will your souls be hurried, when in cold despair you fight away your last faint breath? no guilt

III.

They shall fly amazed from the sight of Heav'n, and hide their guilty selves in

in eternal darkness: there they shall dwell with intollerable pains, weeping and wailing, and lamenting for ever. Their understanding shall sit as in a deep dungeon, and think on nothing but its own calamities: their will shall be heightened to a madness of desire, and perpetually rack'd with the dispair of obtaining. Their memory shall serve but to renew their sorrows, and their souls be drown'd in a Sea of bitterness. They shall wish the Mountains to fall upon them, and cry to the Hills to cover them; but nothing shall fall on them but the wrath of God,

God, nor cover them, but their own Confusion.

III.

Their every Vice shall have its proper torment, prodigiously bred out of its own corruption. The Lascivious shall burn in unquenchable fire, perpetually flanting from their own passions. The Glutton and the Drunkard shall vainly sigh for a drop of water to coole their tongues. The furious choleric shall rage like mad Dogs, and the Spirited envious gnaw their own bowels. The Riches of the covetous shall be as thorns in their sides, and the proud be thrown down to

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108 Of a guilty Conscience,
to the bottom of con-
tempt. The slothful shall
miserably deplore their lost
time, and languish with
grief for their stupid neg-
ligence.

IV.

But, O what horrid
pangs shall seize them all,
and wound and pierce the
very center of their souls,
when they shall see them-
selves eternally deprived
of the bright and blissful
vision of God. When they
shall see themselves etern-
ally banish'd from the
sweet and gracious pres-
ence of Jesus. That God
who made them, to enjoy
his glory ; that Jesus who
redeemed them to be heirs

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of his felicity : then shall they curse the day of their birth, and the unfortunate Companions that inveigled them to sin. They shall curse this vain deceitful world, and cry out with a desperate enraged fury, Are these the effects of those fond delires, whose enjoyment we made our chief felicity ? Alas ! what avail us, now our wanton liberties, and the fugitive pleasures we so eagerly pursued ? What comfort receive we from those empty Honours, and worthless Riches we so highly esteemed ? they all are vanish't away, like a shadow, and as a cloud of

110 Of a guilty Conscience
of smoak that's scattered
with the wind.

V.

But the remorse and pu-
nishment endures for ever,
and torture our Spirits
with perpetual Anguish.
Thus shall they cry, and
none regard to hear them;
thus shall they mourn, and
none be found to pity
them. O sad expectance
of a dissolute Life! O
dreadful consequence of
an impenitent Death! E-
ternally to long for what
they never can enjoy, E-
ternally to suffer what
they never can avoid. Bles-
sed be thy gracious pro-
vidence, O God, that with
such tender care fore-

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warns us of our Dangers. O save us too, dear Lord, from all those dangers : save us for thy mercies sake : save us, and make us fearful to do, what when we have done, will make us miserable to suffer : quicken our apprehensions of the ruinous effects of Sin ; and with thy terrible threatenings check our unbridled passions, that if thy glorious Promises move not our hearts, the fear, at least, of Hell may fright us into Heaven.

The Prayer.

O Lord I do confess, I am unworthy of the least

Least of all thy Mercies
For my wickednesses have
gone over my Head, and are
as a Barthen too heavy for
me to bear: my Spirit is
sorrowful, and my heart is
heavy: my words are stopp'd
with Sighs, and my plaines
with Tears. O let thy De-
vine Majesty bend down thy
gracious Eye of pity, and
forgive me my Sins, the un-
happy ground of all this
woe; where my misery hath
thus abounded, where in
thy mercy much more a-
boundeth: keep me I beseech
thee from despairing of thy
mercy, or slighting thy Pro-
vidence: thou art a skilful
Physitian, and canst cut off
my Infirmitie: then with
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merciful God, and canst forgive all my Sins : thou will not break the bruised Reed, nor quench the smoaking Flax. O Lord, speak peace always unto my Soul, and say unto it, I am thy Salvation : and this I beg for Jesus Christ his sake, my Lord and Saviour. Amen.

MEDITATION XIII.

Of the State of the Godly.

According as his Divine Power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath

hath called us to Glory
and Vertue, 2 Pet. I. 3.

I.

Why do you mourn, you Children of the Light, to whom belong the Promises of Bliss? Who feed on the pleasant fruits of Piety, and the continual Feast of a good Conscience, who taste already the Sweetness of hope, & hereafter shall be satisfied with the fulness of Fruition: what can molest your happy state, whom the God of Glory has chosen for himself? whom he has adopted into his own Family, and design'd for Heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven; that Blessed Kingdom, where

where all delights abound,
and sorrow and tears are
banish'd quite away.

II.

Where none are sick,
grow old, or die, but
nourish in health, and
youth, and immortal Life :
where none are perplex'd
with cares or fears, but
dwell secure and free for
ever : where we no more
shall be subject to chance,
no more be expos'd to
the danger of Tentation :
where we no more shall
be crost by others ; no
more disquieted by our
own Passions ; but a se-
rene tranquility perpetu-

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ally within us, and innumerable joys all round about us.

Joy in the excellency of our glorify'd Bodies; joy in the perfections of our enlarg'd Souls; joy in the sweet Society of Saints; and joy in the glorious company of Angels: joy in the ravishing sight of our beloved Jesus: joy in the blissful Union with the adored Deity: all shall be joy and love and peace, and all endure for eternal Ages. Let then the impenitent Sinner be frightened with fear,

tear, and the obdurate
Heart break asunder with
grief; but for the hope-
ful Innocent, let them
always be glad, and the
Servants of Jesus rejoice
and sing.

IV.

Sweet is the Yoke of
thy love, O Lord, and
light the Burthen of thy
Commands; but O, how
far more rich are thy faith-
ful Promises! How in-
finitely greater thy glorious
Rewards! When every
virtue shall wear its pro-
per Crown, and shine
with a Diadem fit for its
own head: the humble
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there shall be highly exalted, and the poor in Spirit prefer'd to be Kings: the meek shall possess that Holy Land, and the mourners be comforted with eternal Refreshments: the clean of Heart, shall see the God of Purity; and the lovers of Peace have the privilege of his children.

V.

They who hunger and thirst after Heav'n shall be fill'd, and the merciful entertain'd with the Embraces of Mercy: they who suffer persecution shall abundantly be rewarded,

ded, and enlightners of others shine bright as the Stars: they who relinquish any thing for God, shall receive a hundred fold, and all the just be in Glory for ever. Then shall they bless the true Friend that reprov'd them, and the charitable hand that assisted to their happiness: they shall bless the provident mercies of their God, and sing aloud the victories of his Grace. Is this the effects of those little pains we took? Are these the repairs for those petty losses we suffered? Happy we, who deny'd our selves toys, and now are advanc'd to these high felicities.

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VI.

Millions of years shall pass away, and our glory shall seem but then to begin: Millions of millions shall pass away, and our glory shall be no nearer its end. Thus shall they all rejoice and none disturb them: thus shall they sing, and all the Heavens joyn with them. O sweet expectance of a pious Life! O happy consequence of a holy death! eternally to be freed from whatever can afflict! Eternally to enjoy whatever can delight! we shall hereafter adore thy Bleſſed

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sed Self, and sing eternally the wonders of thy glory

VII.

Blest be thy gracious Providence, O God, that with so large a bounty woes us to our happiness: woes us in a way we are so apt to be taken: the love of our selves, and our own great interest, as thou hast prepar'd such Felicities for us: O may thy grace prepare us for them! O may this best of works take up all our time! at least, take up the best of our time, at least every Morning, let us renew our,

F 4 hope

hope, and close the Evening with the same sweet thoughts: let us not faint, and we surely shall see a prosperous Issue out of all our sorrows. Still let us labour: still let us suffer; our troubles are short, and our joys eternal.

The Prayer.

O Eternal God, my heart and my tongue shall always praise thee, and glorifie thy Holy Name; thy loving kindness is better than Life it self. O let the Day-spring of thy favour, visit me from on high, that I may seek thee with an early De-

Devotion, and pursue after
thee with a constant and
an active industry, now
while it is called to day,
before the night cometh
wherein no man can
work. O when shall I
come and appear before
thee: when shall I come
and behold thy Spacious
Courts, where thou art at-
tended with Millions of
Angels, and beautified
Spirits? O give me thy
help, that I going through
this vale of misery, the
Pools may be filled with
Water, my heart and my
eyes may run over with
tears of Repentance, and
overflow with sorrow
and contrition for my sins,

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that I may be prepar'd with Faith and Repentance, as with a Wedding Garment, against the time that thou, O Lord, shalt call for me out of this sinful World; and in the mean while, let me fly from Sin as from a Serpent, and from unrighteousness as from a Cockatrice, and above all things seek thy Glory, that when this mortal life is ended, I may then be made partaker of Immortality, and Life Eternal, in thy most blessed and glorious Kingdom. Amen.

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MEDITATION XIV.

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The Soul's Choice.

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MY Soul, wait thou
only upon God, for
my hope is in him, *Psal.*

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Come now my Soul
and chuse; for Life and
Death are set before thee;
chuse while thy gracious
Lord allows thee day, least
the night of darkness o-
vertake thy neglect; chuse,
but remember thy Eter-
nity is concern'd; and
examine e're thou mak'st
thy resolve: call all the
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pleasures of the World before thee, and ask if any of them be worth such pains? Ask if the vain, forbidden things thou lovest deserve thy affections better than thy Maker.

II.

Are they more worthy in themselves, or beneficial to thee, that thou canst prefer them before thy Redeemer? Doest thou expect to be quiet by enjoying them? Or everlasting happiness by their Procurement? Will they protect thee at the hour of Death, or plead thy cause at the day of Judg-

Judgment? O no, they but deceive me with a smiling look, which I too often have prov'd by dear experience; 'tis Heaven alone that yields a true content: 'tis Heaven alone that fills us with delight.

III.

Take then away your Flatteries, false World! and leave me free for better thoughts: turn thou thy Face to me, dear Jesus, and keep mine Eyes still turn'd towards thee, that I may look continually on thy glorious Beauty, and be ravish'd for e-

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ver with the charms of
thy sweetnesd: 'tis thee,
chaste Spouse of Souls: 'tis
thee alone I chuse, and
dedicate my self entirely
to thy Service: thou art
my sole and absolute Lord, I
be thou my part and In-
heritance for ever. But
O my dearesth Lord! do
thou chuse me, and guide
my uninstructed Soul to
chuse thee: O make me
chuse to love thee till I
come to see thee; and
then I am sure I can't
not chuse but love thee,

Here we, Halas!

move slowly in the dark, led on

by

by the argument of things not seen; but did we clearly see what we say we believe, we soon should change the course of our Life: did we but see the Damned in their Flames, or hear them cry in the midst of their Torments, how should we fear to follow them in their sins, which we know have plung'd them into all those Miseries? How should we strive against the next Temptation, and cast about to avoid the dangers, did we but see the glorious Angels, and all the Spirits of Just men made perfect? How should we study the art of happiness,

pines, and strive to imitate their good examples? How should we seek all occasions of Improvement, and make it our busines to work out our Salvation?

V.

Nay, did our Faith but firmly believe what we every one recite in the Apostles Creed, what would we do to attain those joys? What would we not do to escape those Sorrows? Would half an hour be too long to pray? or once a week to hear a Sermon? Would the pardon of an Injury be too hard

hard a Law, or the making restitution too dear a Price? Durst we return to our Sins again? or spend our time in Idleness and Folly? Yet is all this as sure as if we saw it, and would move us much if we seriously consider'd it.

VI.

If we consider'd what I'm sure we believe, we should never live as I'm sure we do. Which of us doubts but e're long we shall all be dust? Yet which of us lives as if we thought to die? Pity, O gracious Lord, the Frailties

ties of thy Servants, and suffer not our blindness to lead us into ruine. Supply our want of sight by a lively faith, and strengthen our Faith by thy powerful Grace: make us remember 'tis no Childrens sport, to gain or lose the Kingdom of Heav'n: make us chuse wisely, and pursue our choice, and use as well the means, as like the End.

VII.

O set thou right the Biass of our Hearts, that in all our motions we may draw off from the World: that we may still

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incline towards thee, and rest at last in thy Holy Presence. Thou art our Lord, and we will serve thee in fear: thou art our God, and we will love thee in hope: What will it profit us to gain the whole World, and lose our own Souls? Or, what shall we give in exchange for our Souls?

The Prayer.

O God whose Wise Government reserves Eternal Joys for those which love thee and keep thy Com-
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mandements; thy Providence hath so order'd and commanded, that the inordinate Affections of every one shall be his punishment: for as we sow, so shall we reap, and as the Tree falls, so shall it lie; thy Grace, O Lord, is the seed of Glory, and Sin the Root of Miserie: he that sows in the Flesh, shall reap Corruption, and he that sows in the Spirit Life Everlasting. O my Soul how many thousands have been sur-

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of their Sins, and bur-
ried away into Ever-
lasting Sorrows? And
we, alas! how many
times have we been
guilty, and yet our God
has spar'd us? O my
Indulgent Saviour! no
other reason can I
give why I'm not mi-
serable, but that thou
art merciful. Blessed
be thy Patience that
endures so long, and
Blessed be thy Grace
that delivers at last.
O Blessed be my God,
and Blessed be thy

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Providence for ever,
which so plentifully fur-
nishes with rules of
Grace and Virtue, and
so safely guides all those
Souls to happiness, who
choose to live under thy
sweet Government. As
thou hast shown us the
way, Lord give us
strength to walk in it,
and bring us in the
End to thy Eternal
Rest: Make us seri-
ously to reflect on every
Line we repeat, and
love Truth when it
most reproves us: make
us labour to correct e-
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every Error of our Lives, and always humbly implore thy Gracious Assistance, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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